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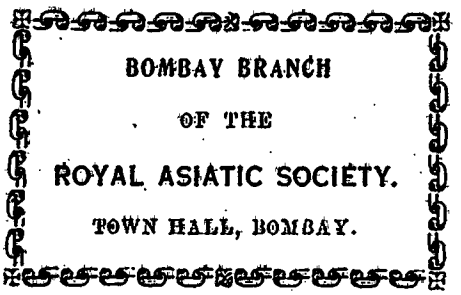

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Karachi, 11th March 1924.

From

C. A. KINCAID, ESQUIRE, C.V.O., I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1921.

2. Judicial Statements Nos. 1 to 13 accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. A. KINCAID,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1921.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The Court of the Judicial Com missioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. B. C. K ennedy, I.C.S., from 1st January to 27th December, and by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S, from 28th to 31st December 1921.

2. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:—

Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, I.C.S., from 1st January to 23rd December 1921.

Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 28th to 31st December 1921.

Mr. N. W. Kemp, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 5th June 1921.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 7th June to 31st December 1921.

Mr. E. Raymond, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1921.

3. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from the 9th May to the 8th June 1921.

4. There were on the 31st December 1921—

3 Sessions Judges.

2 Assistant Sessions Judges.

7 District Magistrates

19 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

19 City and Resident Magistrates.

61 other 1st class Magistrates.

151 2nd class Magistrates.

161 3rd class Magistrates.

Of the above Magistrates 243 were Special and Honorary Magistrates.

5. There were on the 31st December 1921—

3 District Judges.

2 Assistant Judges.

3 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Cantonment Magistrate, Karachi, exercising the powers of a Judge of a Small Cause Court, and the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

3 1st class Subordinate Judges.

14 2nd class Subordinate Judges.

6. The Judicial Commissioner went on tour to make the annual inspection of the Courts in Sind and he inspected the District and Sessions Courts and the 1st class Subordinate Courts of Sukkur and Larkana, the 2nd class Subordinate Courts of Sehwan, Shikarpur and Jacobabad, the City Magistrates' Courts of Shikarpur and Sukkur and the Resident Magistrates' Courts of Larkana and Nawabshah.

7. The District Judges of Hyderabad and Larkana inspected the Sub-Courts in their respective districts.

8. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working satisfactorily in the Province.

9. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 11,36,781 and the total charges Rs. 11,62,336 during the year under report, disclosing a deficit of Rs. 25,555 in the receipts over charges.

Criminal Justice.

10. The number of offences and offenders reported during the year under review shows a decrease as compared with the preceding year, the figures being :—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offenders.
1920	26,849	48,240
1921	25,058	45,701
	−1,791	−2,539

There is also a decrease in the number of offences and offenders in cases returned as true as compared with the previous year, as shown below :—

Year.	Offences returned as true.	No. of offenders returned as true.
1920... ...	24,698	42,317
1921... ...	23,181	40,506
	— 1,517	— 1,811

11. There was a corresponding decrease in the number of cases brought to trial from 27,451 to 25,964, and in the number of persons from 47,607 to 46,096. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 5,583 to 6,597. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, was 47,115.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1920 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted	
			On regular trial.	On summary trial.
1920	48,098	26,382	8,505	6,690
1921	47,115	25,355	8,237	5,419
	— 983	— 1,027	— 268	1,271

12. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1921 as contrasted with those in 1920 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.		Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.	Persons imprisoned for default.
			Rigorous.	Simple.				
1920	14	37	3,508	126	10,368	213	883	592
1921	17	29	3,851	173	8,947	209	709	473

The fines in 1921 amounted to Rs. 1,42,703-6-4 as against Rs. 1,38,200-15-8 in 1920, and compensation paid to accused persons in 1921 amounted to Rs. 12,828-4-9 as against Rs. 9,716-0-3 in 1920.

13. Particulars as to the results of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table :—

District.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	On dormant file.
Karachi	12,476	4,789	6,118	4	1,565	...
Hyderabad	8,192	4,351	2,355	185	1,301	...
Thar Parkar	2,179	1,328	555	23	273	...
Nawabshah	5,307	3,313	981	78	935	...
Larkana	9,317	6,235	1,389	94	1,588	...
Sukkur	6,218	3,710	1,734	24	730	...
Upper Sind Frontier	2,325	1,578	596	2	149	22
Court of the Judicial Commissioner...	22	1	15	...	6	...
Total ...	46,096	25,355	13,734	410	6,597	22

14. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last three years:—

District.	1919.				1920.	
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	48	51	255	247	45	38
Hyderabad	121	131	413	410	110	87
Sukkur	51	54	218	190	51	40
Larkana	57	51	152	140	44	53

District.	1920.		1921.			
	Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Field.	Disposed of.	Field.	Disposed of.	Field.	Dispose of.
Karachi	258	256	66	57	255	232
Hyderabad	470	454	145	115	419	397
Sukkur	116	141	68	73	137	130
Larkana	79	81	66	65	82	83

15. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 239 to 237 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime, especially in Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Larkana and Upper Sind Frontier, arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report :—

District.	From motives connected with women.	Other causes.
Karachi	35	23
Hyderabad ...	15	7
Thar Parkar ...	7	1
Nawabshah ...	15	8
Larkana	19	13
Sukkur	9	22
Upper Sind Frontier ...	48	15

16. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the State, Chapter VI, Indian Penal Code.

(2) Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII, and attempts thereat.

(3) Attempts at offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII.

(4) Offences by, or relating to, public servants, Chapter IX.

(5) Attempts at false evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI.

(6) Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII.

(7) Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII.

(8) Attempts at offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.

(9) Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV.

(10) Offences affecting life.

(11) Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births, and attempts thereat.

(12) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(13) Criminal force and assault, and attempts thereat.

(14) Attempts at rape.

(15) Unnatural offence.

(16) Extortion.

(17) Robbery and dacoity and attempts thereat.

(18) Criminal breach of trust.

(19) Cheating.

(20) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(21) Mischief.

(22) Criminal trespass.

(23) Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX.

(24) Defamation, Chapter XXI.

(25) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXV.

(26) Attempts at offences under special and local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII.

(2) Attempts at offences by, or relating to, public servants Chapter IX.

(3) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X.

(4) False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI.

(5) Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.

(6) Attempts at offences affecting life.

(7) Hurt and attempts thereat.

(8) Attempts at wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(9) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour, and attempts thereat.

(10) Rape.

(11) Theft (*a*) cattle-lifting and (*b*) ordinary.

(12) Criminal misappropriation of property.

(13) Receiving of stolen property.

(14) Attempts at mischief.

(15) Attempts at criminal trespass.

(16) Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XIII.

(17) Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX.

(18) Attempts at Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII.

(19) Offences under special and local laws.

17. Security Bonds under Chapter VIII of the Criminal Procedure Code were taken in 495 cases as against 601 of the previous year.

18. The number of frivolous and vexatious accusations dealt with summarily under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code, in the year under report, was 132 as against 148 in 1920.

19. Applications for order for maintenance fell from 124 in 1920 to 120 in the year under report. The orders granted numbered 14.

20. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 1905, that is 182 more than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 1,546 cases and were reversed or varied in 331.

The sentences were maintained intact in 81·15 per cent. of appeals against 78·7 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts 561

(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court) 1,142

(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) 202

The criminal appeals in the Magistrates' Courts and the Court of the Judicial Commissioner show an increase of 207 and 95, respectively, and those in the Sessions Courts show a decrease of 120.

21. During the year under report, cases of 109 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction).

The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 280 and the District Magistrates 30. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 25 persons were reversed and sentences of 3 persons reduced or otherwise altered, and in the case of 1 person, proceedings were quashed and in the case of 30 persons new trials or further inquiries ordered.

22. The following table shows the criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1920 and the arrears at the end of the year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1919.	1920.		Arrears on 31st December 1920.	1921.		Arrears on 31st December 1921.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Criminal Appeals	21	80	91	10	119	118	11
2	Cases under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	3	3	1	2	2	1
3	Confirmation cases	2	7	7	2	13	11	4
4	Reported cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
5	Reported cases, section 303, Criminal Procedure Code.	8	40	45	3	35	36	2
6	Criminal Revision on Court's own motion.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	Criminal Revision on application.	9	106	105	10	93	82	21
8	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	13	12	1	17	18	...
9	Criminal transfer applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	5	37	40	2	21	22	1

The cases of 17 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 13, the sentence of death was confirmed and the cases of 4 persons were pending at the close of the year. The cases of 2 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code, of whom 1 person was sentenced to transportation for life and the other sentenced to 3 years' rigorous imprisonment.

Civil Justice.

23. The total number of Civil Suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 27,116 as compared with 27,546 in 1920. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) filed in the two years was—

District.	1920.	1921.
Hyderabad	3	5
Sukkur	13	15
Larkana	16	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction)	1,340	1,610

24. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1920 and 1921. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 3·2 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1920 was 3·02.

Nature.	1920.	1921.
Money and moveable property ...	25,227	24,695
Mortgage	751	680
Immoveable property	833	868

25. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,79,40,427-1-11½ compared with 1,63,54,936-11-10½ in 1920.

26. The total number of suits disposed of was 27,044 as against 27,461 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1921 as compared with the year 1920:—

Manner of disposal.	1920.	1921.
Without trial	7,178	6,475
Compromised	9,372	8,861
Decreed on confession	1,471	1,599
Decreed *ex parte*	3,418	3,658
Dismissed *ex parte*	154	222
By arbitration	1,750	1,940
Contested	4,111	4,289

27. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 8,415 out of which 4,232 were pending for more than three months.

28. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) was 408·7 and 948·5 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 172·91 and 82·05 days, respectively, in 1920.

29. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 1,951 as against 1,229 in 1920. The number disposed of was 1,042 as against 868 in 1920.

30. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) was 652 as against 603 in 1920. Of these 240 were disposed of as compared with 254 in 1920.

The number of civil appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1920.	1921.
Hyderabad	64	82
Sukkur	119	97
Larkana	67	58
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) ...	4	3

31. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 247·05 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) 40·0 and (High Court Jurisdiction) 700·4. The corresponding figures for the year 1920 were 269·9, 274·5 and 746·1.

32. There were in all 18,515 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner as against 19,010 in 1920. Of these 15,666 were disposed of as against 16,400 in 1920. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 5,64,441-7-7 as compared with Rs. 3,83,906-6-3 in the year 1920. Moveable property was sold in 92 cases as against 115 in 1920, and attached but subsequently released in 247 as against 209 in 1920.

33. The following table shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court

Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1920 and the arrears awaiting disposal :—

High Court Jurisdiction.

Description.	Arrears on 31 st December 1919.	1920.		Arrears on 31st December 1920.	1921.		Arrears on 31st December 1921.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	100	67	35	132	57	52	137
II Appeals	76	40	52	64	26	37	53
Miscellaneous Appeals	29	46	23	52	42	33	61
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	1	1	2	...	4	2	2
Do. sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	9	31	36	4	45	43	6
Do. section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	15	44	32	27	55	34	48
Do. Order XLI, rule 19, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. Order XLIV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Do. Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	12	7	14	5	...	1	4
Do. Order XLVI, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	...	1	3	2	2
Do. Order XLVII, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Do. section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	43	23	26	40	27	23	44
Do. Act XII of 1866 ...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Do. Act X of 1865 ...	2	8	9	1	12	11	2
Do. Act VII of 1913 ...	...	1	1	...	2	1	1

General.

34. There has been a slight decrease both in Criminal and Civil work in the year under report which does not call for any special comment.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the number of Judicial divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on the last day of the year 1921 with the cost of Tribunals :—

Name of Province.	Area.	Population.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts	Total number of officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Total number of cases decided.				Total receipts of the Courts.	Total charges of the Courts.
						Judges of Chief Courts of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Subordinate Courts.	Original.		Appeals.			
											Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Sind ...	46,506	3,279,377	...	4	14	(a) 4	...	3	(b) 7	14	27,064	16,854	329	53	11,36,781	*11,62,336

(a) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(b) Includes 2 Assistant Judges, 1 Small Cause Court Judge, 3 First Class Sub-Judges and 1 Cantonment Magistrate exercising Civil powers.

* This includes adjustment contributions, payment to officers of other provinces and foreign service payments.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1—(CIVIL)—*contd.*

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Indians, in the Province of Sind.

Designation.	Officers exercising both Original and Appellate Jurisdiction.		Officers exercising Original Jurisdiction only.	
	Europeans.	Indians.	Europeans.	Indians.
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners ...	3	1	...	...
District Judges	2	1	...	...
Joint Judges	...	...	...	...
Assistant Judges	...	2	...	...
Small Cause Court Judges	...	...	†1	†2
Subordinate Judges, 1st class	...	...	...	3
Do. 2nd class	...	...	...	14

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the number of Judicial divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on the last day of the year 1921 with the cost of Tribunals.

Name of Province.	Area.	Population.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but Superior to the Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of Sub-districts.	Total Number of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Total number of cases decided.				Total Receipts of the Courts	Total charges of the Courts
						Judges of Chief Courts of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Subordinate Courts.	Original.		Appeals.			
											Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Sind	46,506	3,279,377	...	7	62	(a) 4	...	(b) 11	(c) 19	(d) 149*	22,708	310	1,286	241	11,36,781	†11,62,936

(a) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(b) These are 6 District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges and 1 Assistant Sessions Judge.

(c) These are Assistant Collectors and Deputy Collectors.

(d) These are all stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 9 and 10.

* Besides these there were 46 Special and 197 Honorary Magistrates.

† This includes adjustment, contribution, payment to officers of other provinces and foreign service payments.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1—(CRIMINAL)—*concld.*

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate Jurisdiction both Europeans and Indians in the Province of Sind.

Designation.	Officers exercising both Original and Appellate Jurisdiction.		Officers exercising Original Jurisdiction only.	
	Europeans.	Indians.	Europeans.	Indians.
1	2	3	4	5
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners	3	1	...	...
Sessions Judges	2	1	...	...
Additional Sessions Judges	...	...	...	...
Assistant Sessions Judges	...	1	...	...
Magistrates, 1st Class*	9	6	7	84
Do. 2nd Class*	...	...	2	149
Do. 3rd Class*	...	...	...	161

* These include also District Magistrates, Deputy Commissioner and Special and Honorary Magistrates.

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted, and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind in the year of 1921.

Description of offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from the previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons.					Remarks.				
							Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Offences against the State, Chapter VI, Indian Penal Code.	7	16	7	16	...	7	16	7	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to the Army and Navy Chapter VII.	6	28	6	28	2	8	30	16	8	...	15	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	2	7	2	7	1	3	8	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the public tranquality, Chapter VIII.	396	2,281	352	1,998	79	439	2,485	1,526	304	29	626	34	10	3	26	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	14	18	14	18	...	14	18	3	14	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Offences by, or relating to, public servants, Chapter IX.	38	69	33	52	3	36	59	21	19	1	18	5	...	1	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—*contd.*

Description of offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from the previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	Number of Persons.					Remarks.				
							Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X.	78	99	78	99	13	91	113	39	53	1	20	...	...	1	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI.	282	375	235	286	53	293	376	194	112	6	64	42	5	4	2	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	4	8	4	8	...	4	8	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII ...	14	24	13	18	2	15	24	12	4	...	8	1	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII.	20	20	20	20	2	22	23	11	10	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.	121	176	115	166	7	122	178	101	63	3	11	6	...	...	3	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV ...	15	29	15	29	6	21	12	15	18	...	9	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Offences affecting the human body, Chapter															
Offences affecting life	223	457	216	434	39	270	543	222	154	2	165	7	...	2	...	...
Attempts at do.	5	6	5	6	2	7	9	5	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Causing of miscarriage; injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	21	59	31	58	...	21	58	31	13	5	9	...	...	5	...	...
Attempts at do do. ...	22	56	22	56	...	22	56	23	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hurt	3,634	9,700	3,263	8,758	240	3,516	9,500	7,998	545	81	876	355	16	13	68	...
Attempts at hurt	6	18	6	18	...	6	18	16	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	180	561	149	447	11	162	491	396	21	...	74	29	2	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal force and assault	438	1,020	402	905	31	436	990	793	75	7	115	31	5	5	2	...
Attempts at do. ...	2	3	2	3	...	2	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	165	639	114	491	28	144	528	329	117	4	78	49	2	...	4	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rape	26	63	26	68	10	36	106	65	26	3	12	...	...	...	3	...
Attempts at rape	3	4	3	4	...	3	4	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Unnatural offence...	73	112	72	111	4	76	117	41	64	...	12	1	...	...	...	...
Attempts at unnatural offence ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—																
Theft ordinary	1,042	1,672	948	1,457	91	1,050	1,675	605	831	29	210	79	15	7	22	...
Theft cattle lifting	1,760	2,519	1,704	2,387	143	1,861	2,620	855	1,493	24	249	43	13	6	18	...
Extortion	34	95	22	53	3	25	58	14	18	5	21	12	...	1	4	...
Attempts at extortion	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Robbery and dacoity	109	328	91	255	22	114	361	126	141	1	93	17	1	1	...	...
Attempts at do.	1	6	1	6	...	1	6	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...

JUDICIAL STATEMEAMT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—*concld.*

Description of offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from the previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons.					Remarks.				
							Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Trane rred
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—*contd.*																
Criminal misappropriation of property ...	426	712	307	520	46	356	609	356	143	2	108	114	5	...	3	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal breach of trust ...	461	613	323	407	38	369	487	293	60	9	125	130	8	...	9	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Receiving of stolen property ...	606	832	588	803	77	666	908	379	378	14	137	16	2	4	10	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cheating	338	531	222	327	35	266	393	239	71	2	81	107	9	1	1	...
Attempts at cheating	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	21	57	19	54	3	23	59	31	3	...	25	2	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mischief	329	949	276	782	40	318	938	703	104	3	128	50	3	...	3	...
Attempts at mischif	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal trespass	843	1,964	757	1,641	64	832	1,832	1,220	327	4	281	75	11	...	4	...
Attempts at criminal respass ...	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to documents and to trade property marks, Chapter XVIII.	9	15	8	14	4	12	21	14	3	...	4	1	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX.	279	644	205	444	...	205	444	380	28	10	26	74	...	1	9	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX ...	930	3,551	741	2,783	140	882	3,384	2,525	70	24	765	186	3	6	18	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Defamation, Chapter XXI	81	179	51	129	9	60	141	111	18	1	11	30	...	1	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII.	856	1,930	670	1,433	49	722	1,591	1,386	38	3	164	181	5	...	3	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Special and Local laws	11,048	12,945	10,963	12,790	1,358	12,302	14,452	4,145	8,205	134	1,968	82	3	5	129	...
Attempts at do. ...	88	210	88	210	35	123	303	100	127	3	73	...	..	...	3	...
Total ...	25,058	45,701	23,181	40,506	2,690	25,964	46,096	25,355	13,734	410	6,597	1,759	118	67	313	...

3,166 cases were remaining under trial.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of European British subjects in the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

Description of offence.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF											OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS SHOWN IN										
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court.		Total for all Courts.		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 to 10.		Columns 11 & 13 Number whose cases were disposed of by			
			Committed.																Magistrates.		Sessions Judges.	
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	To Courts of Session.	To High Court.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed Jury, section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did no so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
tempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the Public tranquility, Chapter VIII.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Contempts of the lawful authority or public servants, Chapter X.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to Government stamps, Chapter XII.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII.	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI—																												
Offences affecting life	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Causing of miscarriage: injuries to unborn children exposure of infants and the concealment of births	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hurt	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at hurt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL)—*contd.*

Description of offence.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF											OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS SHOWN IN								
	BY DISTRICT MAGISTRATES AND OTHER 1ST CLASS MAGISTRATES.				BY COURTS OF SESSION.			BY HIGH COURT.		TOTAL FOR ALL COURTS.		COLUMNS 2 TO 5.			COLUMNS 6 TO 8.		COLUMNS 9 TO 10.		COLUMNS 11 & 12 Number whose cases were disposed of by	
			Committed.																Magistrates.	Sessions Judges.
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	To Courts of Session.	To High Court.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed Jury, section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did no so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI—contd.—																						
Criminal force and assault	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery, and forced labour.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at rape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Unnatural offence	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at unnatural offence	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

| *Offences against property, Chapter XVII—* | | |

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL)—*concld.*

Description of offence.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF											OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS SHOWN IN										
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Court of Session.			By High Court.		Total for all Courts.		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 to 10.		Columns 11 & 12 Number whose cases were disposed of by			
			Committed																Magistrates.		Session Judges.	
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged	To Courts of Session.	To High Court.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed Jury, section 451 (1) of the Code	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed Jury section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Defamation, Chapter XXI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII. ...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...
Attempts at do. do. ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under special and local laws	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	22	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	15	...	37	...	...	..	...	...	37	...	...	...
Total ...	28	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	25	...	53	...	...	...	...	...	53	...	...	...

NOTE.—The figures in Statement No. 2 will include the figures in this Statement.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of Miscellaneous proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Province of Sind during 1921.

Nature of proceedings.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year.	Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged.	No. of persons convicted or bound by an order.	PENDING.		Died.	Escaped.	On dormant file.
					Cases.	Persons.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI-C and section 485.	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
2. Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace.	74	365	284	48	4	33	...	...	...
3. Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour.	495	1110	266	598	74	205	1	38	2
4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X	2	15	...	3	1	12	...	...	...
5. Possession, Chapter XII	11	32	25	7	...	...	...	...	...
6. Frivolous or vexatious accusations summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, section 250.	132	247	38	209	...	...	...	...	...
7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, section 332.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI	120	120	103	14	3	3	...	...	...
9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII	117	136	27	107	...	...	...	2	...
10. Proceedings under Chapter XLVI, section 563, against convicted offenders released under section 562.	8	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	961	2,036	743	997	82	253	1	40	2

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the General Result of Criminal Trials of Sind in the

Class of Courts.	Totol number of persons under trial.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES				
		Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Discharged or acquitted.	Con		
				On regular trial.		
				Sentence passed.	Released on probation, section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.
						Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Village officers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14.	2,533	14	1,437	481	1	...	...
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	411	...	251	78	1	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	29,168	342	15,510	5,811	39	2	...
Benches of Magistrates ...	13,715	51	7,086	1,319	6	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	31	...	5	25	...	...	...
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	242	...	79	143	...	...	...
Courts of Session	963	3	386	365	...	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction).	22	...	1	15	...	...	...
Total ...	47,115	410	25,355	8,237	47	2	...

No. 4—(CRIMINAL).

in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province year 1921.

WERE DISPOSED OF.									REMARKS.		
CTED.											
On summary trial.											
Sentence passed.	Released on probation, section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.		Committed or referred.	Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.	Number of cases disposed of during the year.	Average number of days during which each case lasted.	Number of witnesses examined.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
		Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.								
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
278	...	...	...	...	322	1,254	43,526 or 34·71	3,310	5	9	...
...	...	...	...	11	100	143	3,037 or 21·24	1,118	...	...	...
2,375	27	2	...	979	4,081	13,768	384,640 or 27·94	54,173	41	301	...
2,765	...	...	...	13	1,875	7,204	186,099 or 25·83	15,650	18	33	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	14	565 or 40·35	110	...	...	...
1	...	...	...	...	10	82	1,746 or 21 29	80	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	16	193	319	21,368 or 66·98	2,496	3	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	6	14	1,237 or 88·35	...	...	...	...
5,419	27	2	..	1,019	6,597	22,798	642,218 or 28·17	76,955	67	343	...

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

LIBRARY OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various

Class of Tribunal.	PERSONS SENTENCED TO							
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	IMPRISONMENT.		Forfeiture of property.	Fine.	Whipping.
				Rigorous.	Simple.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Village officers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates								
Special Magistrates under section 14.	...	...	...	121	32	...	604	3
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	41	1	...	36	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	2,980	93	6	4,499	205
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	311	36	4	3,744	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, C. P. C.	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	1
Chief Magistrates of Districts.	...	...	...	55	...	...	22	...
Courts of Sessions ...	4	28	...	318	11	...	42	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (H.C.J.)	13	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Total ...	17	29	...	3,851	173	10	8,947	209

Persons ordered to find or give security or recognizance to keep the peace, or sureties for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.	DETAIL OF PUNISHMENT.			
		FINE.			
		Rs. 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.
10	11	12	13	14	15
...	...	...	...	...	...
1	...	511	83	9	1
1	...	19	9	5	3
608	458	2,966	1,258	177	93
7	...	3,456	276	10	2
...	...	...	...	...	...
73	14	...	11	4	7
19	1	...	28	3	9
...	...	...	...	...	...
709	473	6,952	1,665	208	115

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FINE.				
Rs. 1,000 and under.	Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of fines realized during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.
16	17	18	19	20
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
...	...	...	...	...
...	...	6,464 6 0	5,323 5 8	295 0 0
...	...	1,245 0 0	1,045 0 0	20 0 0
5	...	1,01,298 2 4	79,316 1 3	8,333 14 0
...	...	19,680 14 0	18,491 2 0	378 14 0
...	...	...	...	...
...	...	4,565 0 0	2,195 14 7	1,231 0 0
1	1	9,450 0 0	5,743 4 1	2,569 8 9
...	...	...	...	...
6	1	1,42,708 6 4	1,12,114 11 7	12,828 4 9

No. 5—(CRIMINAL).

Criminal Tribunals in the province of Sind in the year 1921.

PUNISHMENT.								
IMPRISONMENT.					WHIPPED.			Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.
15 days and under.	6 months and under.	2 years and under.	7 years and under.	Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	106	11	...	...	3	...	...	...
9	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
375	1,877	1,279	...	...	127	58	20	...
95	252	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	6	18	...	...	1	...	...	...
...	17	25	27	...	...	...	...	...
41	48	84	152	5	...	...	...	1
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
556	2,339	1,418	179	5	131	58	20	1

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART I.

Statement showing the particulars of whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Province of Sind during the year 1921. Showing whippings inflicted under sections 2 & 3, Act VI of 1864, in lieu of other punishments.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of persons awarded.			Total.	Remarks.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
In lieu of other punishments, sections 2 and 3, Act VI of 1864.					
1. Theft as defined in section 377, I. P. C. ...	2	...	2	4	
Do. do. 378 do. ...	52	26	4	82	
Do. do. 379 do. ...	...	..	...	...	
Do. do. 380 do. ...	44	24	2	70	
Do. do. 381 do, ..	4	5	13	22	
Do. do. 382 do. ...	10	1	...	11	
2. Extortion as defined in section 388, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
Do. do. 389 do. ...	...	...	...	...	
3 Dishonestly receiving stolen property as defined in section 326, I. P. C.	1	..	...	1	
Dishonestly receiving stolen property as defined in section 411, I. P. C.	4	3	...	7	
Dishonestly receiving stolen property as defined in section 412, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
4. Lurking house-trespass as defined in section 443, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
5. Lurking house-trespass as defined in section 444, I. P. C.	...	1	...	1	
6. House-breaking as defined in section 445, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
7. House-breaking by night as defined in section 446, I. P. C.	2	...	...	2	
House-breaking by night as defined in section 451, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
8. Offences under section 52, Act IX of 1894.	...	...	...	...	
9. Do. do. Act IV of 1897.	2	...	...	2	
10. Do. do. Act VII of 1878.	1	...	...	1	
Total ...	122	60	21	203	
On first conviction	106	46	20	172	
On re-conviction	16	14	1	31	
GRAND TOTAL ...	122	60	21	203	

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART II.

Statement showing whipping inflicted in addition to other punishments, sections 3 and 4, Act VI of 1864, in the province of Sind during the year 1921.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of persons awarded			Total.	Remarks.
	6 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
In addition to other punishments, sections 3 and 4, Act VI of 1864.					
1. Rape, as defined in section 375, I. P. C. ...	...	...	...	...	
2. Unnatural offence, as defined in section 377, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
3. Robbery, as defined in section 390, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
4. Dacoity, as defined in section 391, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	...	...	...	...	

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART III.

Statement showing whippings inflicted under section 5, Act VI of 1864, on Juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II in the Province of Sind during the year 1921.

Offences.	Number of persons awarded.			Total.	Remarks.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Criminal breach of trust, sections 406 and 409, I. P. C.	...	1	...	1	
2. Section 379, I. P. C.	3	...	..	3	
3. Section 304, I. P. C.	1	...	...	1	
4. Section 363, I. P. C.	...	1	...	1	
Total ...	4	2	...	6	
On 1st conviction	4	2	...	6	
On re-conviction	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	4	2	...	6	

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART IV.

Statement showing relative number of times whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments in the Province of Sind during the year 1921.

Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
1	2	3
1. Total number of whippings awarded ...	209	
2. Total number of other punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded.	955	
3. Total number of all punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded (total of headings 1 and 2).	1,164	
4. Percentage of whippings on total number of all punishments (percentage of heading 1 on heading 3).	17·96	

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the result of Appeal and Revision in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

Tribunals.	NUMBER OF PERSONS.											Average number of days during which each appeal or application lasted.	Number of appeal cases or applications for revision disposed of during the year.	Remarks.
	Total number of appellants and applicants for revision before the court.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence enhanced.	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered.	Sentence reversed.	Proceedings quashed.	New trial or further enquiry ordered.	Referred for revision to the High Court.	Pending trial.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
APPEALS.														
To Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	566	...	274	201	...	20	52	6	8	...	5	4,083 or 12·52	326	
To Court of Sessions	1,228	3	496	407	...	109	116	1	8	2	86	50,852 or 60·39	842	
To Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction).	237	...	145	23	...	12	22	...	...	...	35	7,064 or 59·86	118	
Total ...	2,031	3	915	631	...	141	190	7	16	2	126	61,999 or 48·21	1,286	
REVISION.														
By Chief Magisrates of Districts ...	30	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	3	6	...	702 or 23·4	30	
By Court of Sessions	154	1	221	16	...	...	7	1	24	10	151	16,550 or 129·29	128	
By Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction).	131	1	33	51	...	3	18	...	3	...	22	8,765 or 105·6	83	
Total ...	315	2	275	67	...	3	25	1	30	16	173	26,017 or 107·95	241	
GRAND TOTAL ...	2,346	5*	1,190	698	...	144	215	8	46	18	299	88,016 or 57·64	1,527	* Died.

(A) 277 accused persons were concerned in 64 applications made by 64 complainants.

VALABDAS CHATTAMAL,
for Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 7.—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	TITLE AND OTHER SUITS.									Grand total.	Remarks.
		Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Suits to establish a right of pre-emption.	Mortgage suits.	Suits relating to religious and other endowments.	Matrimonial suits.	Testamentary suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.												
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Subordinate Judges	17,403	789	125	4	659	...	45	...	542	2,164	19,567	
Do. do. with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Small Cause Courts	5,919	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,919	
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	5	7	1	...	...	...	3	3	1	15	20	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,368	72	4	...	21	3	20	2	120	242	1,610	
Total ...	24,695	868	130	4	680	3	68	5	663	2,421	27,116	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act III of 1876 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Grand total ...	24,695	868	130	4	680	3	68	5	663	2,421	27,116	

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 8—(CIVIL).

Statement showing number and value of suits instituted in the Civil and Revenue Courts in the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

Class of tribunals.	NUMBER OF SUITS INSTITUTED IN DIFFERENT COURTS.										
	Not exceeding Rs. 10.	Not exceeding Rs. 50.	Not exceeding Rs. 100.	Not exceeding Rs. 500.	Not exceeding Rs. 1,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 5,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total value of suits.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.											
I.—CIVIL COURTS.											
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	1,273	7,199	4,001	5,090	847	813	131	134	78	1,04,08,860 7 6½	
Court of Subordinate Judges with Small Causes Court Jurisdiction.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
Small Cause Courts	814	1,774	1,089	2,051	691	...	...	...	...	11,06,478 12 10	
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	...	...	5	1	6	2	..	5	27,816 0 0	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	...	27	24	109	59	938	213	163	107	63,97,271 13 7	
Total ...	1,588	8,991	5,114	7,255	1,598	1,737	346	297	190	1,79,40,427 1 11½	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.											
Courts under Bombay Act III of 1876 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,588	8,991	5,114	7,255	1,598	1,737	346	297	190	1,79,40,427 1 11½	

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 9.—(Civil).

Part I—Civil Suits.

JUDICIAL STATE

PART I.—CIVIL

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of Civil and Province of Sind

Class of Courts.	Total No. of suits before the Courts.	NUMBER OF SUITS			
		Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Without trial.	WITHOUT	
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.
1	2	3	4	5	6
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.					
I.—CIVIL COURTS.					
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Subordinate Judges	24,725	...	5,639	8,050	116
Courts of Subordinate Judges with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	7,331	20	548	689	1,434
Small Cause Courts	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	45	...	15	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3,978	...	273	122	49
Total ...	36,479	20	6,475	8,861	1,599
II.—REVENUE COURTS.					
Courts under Bombay Act III of 1876 ...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	36,479	20	6,475	8,861	1,599

DISPOSED OF.

Contest.		On reference to Arbitration.	
Decreed *ex parte.*	Dismissed *ex parte.*	For plaintiff.	For defendant.
7	8	9	10
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...
1,576	97	1,676	58
2,009	99	89	13
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...
1	...	...	...
72	26	104	...
3,658	222	1,869	71
...	...	...	...
35,58	222	1,869	71

No. OF SUITS DISPOSED OF			
With Contest.			
Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for defendant.	Total disposed of, cols. 3 to 12.	Pending at the close of the year.
11	12	13	14
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...
2,195	606	20,013	4,712
729	194	5,824	1,607
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...
6	...	22	23
466	93	1,205	2,173
3,396	893	27,064	8,415
...	...	...	...
3,396	893	27,064	8,415

MENT No. 9—(CIVIL).

SUITS

Revenue Cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the in the year 1921.

Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	AVERAGE DURATION OF SUITS.		Arrears.	Re-admitted.	Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Total.
	Contested.	Uncontested.				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
2,236	4,23,667 *or* 151·2	7,54,872 *or* 76·7	4,402	666	...	5,158
768	1,22,523 *or* 132·7	3,32,544 *or* 78·6	1,412	...	...	1,412
...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
22	4,846 *or* 807·66	614	23	2	...	25
1,186	2,28,072 *or* 408	2,54,524 *or* 946·2	1,768	...	...	1,768
4,232	7,79,108 *or* 181·6	13,42,584 *or* 93·6	7,695	668	...	8,363
...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
4,232	7,79,108 *or* 181·6	13,42,584 *or* 93·6	7,695	668	...	8,363

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil in the Province of Sind

Class of Courts.	Total number of cases before the Courts.	NUMBER OF CASES					
		Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Without trial.	WITHOUT CONTEST.			
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed *ex-parte*.	Dismissed *ex-parte*.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	516	...	107	37	73	41	17
Courts of Subordinate Judges with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small Cause Courts	37	...	12	1	9	...	...
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	261	...	106	9	6	...	1
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	777	...	204	...	34	9	28
Total ...	1,591	...	429	47	122	50	46
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	59	...	9	...	...	...	...
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act III of 1876...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,650	...	438	47	122	50	46

MENT No. 9—(CIVIL).

CASES (JUDICIAL).

and Revenue Cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the year 1921.

DISPOSED OF.					Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average duration of cases, contested and and uncontested.	Remarks.
On reference to Arbitration.		With contest.		Total disposed of columns 3 to 12.				
For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.	Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
3	1	49	48	376	140	68	38,580 or 146·6	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
...	...	7	...	29	8	3	3,163 or 185·5	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
...	...	15	6	143	118	60	7,232 or 195·4	
...	...	219	...	494	283	219	45,448 or 156·7	
3	1	290	54	1,042	549	350	94,413 or 155·03	
...	...	28	10	47	13	17	2,452 or 64·53	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
3	1	318	64	1,089	561	367	96,865 or 149·7	

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART I.—APPEALS

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of appeals before the Court.	Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Decisions confirmed under Or. XLI, r. 11, C. P. C.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	HEARD *ex parte*.			
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL COURTS.								
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	649	1	57	13	5	...	4	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioners Court— (High Court Jurisdiction). First Appeals.	189	...	4	9	...	...	...	...
Second Appeals.	90	...	4	7	...	...	...	...
Total ...	931	1	66	30	5	...	4	...

No. 10—(CIVIL).

FROM DECREES.

Courts of the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

CONTESTED.				Total disposed of (Cols. 3 to 13).	Pending.	Of those pending more than three months.	Average duration of appeals.	Objections under Or. XLI, r. 23, C. P. C.	Arrears.	Re-admitted.	Total.
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.								
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
105	15	84	3	237	412	354	58,551 or 247·05	3	348	4	352
1	....	...	...	3	...	...	120 or 40	...	1	...	1
22	5	10	2	52	137	123	33,478 or 643·8	5	132	...	132
21	...	5	...	37	53	49	23,302 or 644·9	3	64	...	64
149	20	49	5	329	602	526	1,16,011 or 352·61	11	545	4	549

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART II.—MISCEL

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of appeals before the Court.	Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Decisions confirmed under Or. XLI, r. 11, C. P. C.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	HEARD EX-PARTE.			
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL COURTS.								
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	51	...	3	2	2	...	2	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	6	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	94	...	5	9	...	...	...	...
Total ...	151	...	8	13	2	...	2	...

No. 10—(CIVIL).

LANEOUS APPEALS.

Courts of the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

CONTESTED.				Total disposed of (cols. 3 to 13).	Pending.	Of these pending more than three months.	Average duration of Miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts.	Objections under Or. XLI r. 22, C. P. C.	Pending.	Re-admitted.	Total.
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.								
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
5	1	2	...	17	34	30	4,369 *or* 257	...	34	...	34
...	...	1	...	3	3	1	203 *or* 67·6	...	2	...	2
12	...	6	1	33	61	48	11,086 *or* 335·9	...	52	...	52
17	1	9	1	53	98	79	15,658 *or* 295·43	...	88	...	88

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Statement showing the result of proceedings on and Revenue Courts in the Province

Class of Courts.	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts.*	Applications disposed of.				
		By transfer.	Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.	Total disposed of (Cols. 3 to 6).
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.						
I.—Civil Courts.						
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...
Village Courts	..	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	13,600	...	2,085	1,041	8,325	1,1451
Courts of with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction. †	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small Cause Courts	4,091	6	432	304	2,875	3,617
Cantonment Magistrate ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts (including those of the Joint and Assistant Judges).	50	...	22	...	15	37
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction.)	774	4	149	41	367	561
Total ...	18,515	10	2,688	1,386	11,582	15,666
II.—Revenue Courts.						
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1876.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* That is the total of the entries in columns 7 and 8.

† Figures to be given separately.

Pending at the end of the year.	Number of applications pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Amount realized.	On which the judgment debtor was imprisoned.
8	9	10	11
....	....	.....	... ...
...	....	.....	...
2,140	946	4,08,322 10 7	35
...	....	.....	...
474	51	32,348 3 3	62
...	...	.....	...
13	9	56,080 14 2	1
213	160	66,789 11 7	...
2,840	1,198	5,64,443 7 7	98
...	...	.....	... ...
...	...	.....	... ...

	On which moveable property		On which
On which he was arrested but released without imprisonment.	Was sold.	Was attached but subsequently released.	Was sold.
12	13	14	15
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...
162	62	139	114
...	...	...	...
143	24	90	...
...	...	...	...
1	...	...	...
5	6	9	17
311	92	247	131
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...

No. 11—(CIVIL).

applications for the Execution of Decrees of the Civil
of Sind in the year 1921.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS							
IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY		ON WHICH POSSESSION WAS GIVEN.					
Was dealt with under r.83, O.XXI, section 2 of Sch. III or sec. 72 of Act V of 1908.	Was attached but subsequently released under r. 55, O. XXI	Of moveables.	Of immoveables.	On which specific performance was enforced.	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than the proceeding columns.	Remarks.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
47	90	2	77	3	5	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	79	2	...	...	
47	92	2	156	5	5	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the number and result of Insolvency Act, V of 1920, in the

Class of Courts.	APPLICATIONS FOR DECLARATION						
	Total number for hearing.†	Transferred to another Province or Presidency, withdrawn, &c.	GRANTED.		REJECTED.		
			A receiver being appointed.	A receiver not being appointed.	Penal proceedings under section 69 not being taken.	Sentence of imprisonment being passed under section 69.	Applicant being sent to the Magistrate to be dealt with.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Courts other than District Courts.*	115	2	43	9	2	...	...
District Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	73	...	43	...	...	...	...
Total ...	188	2	86	9	2	...	...

* Specially empowered under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 3 of Act V of 1920 (*vide* G. N., J. D., No. 3368, dated 16th June 1910).

† That is the total of the entries in columns 9 and 10.

No. 12—(CIVIL).

applications and proceedings under Provincial
Province of Sind in the year 1921.

OF INSOLVENCY.		Number of Insolvents discharged during the year under section 41.	Number of Insolvents' estates in the hands of Receivers in which proceedings were finally closed during the year.	AMOUNT OF CREDITOR'S CLAIMS DEALT WITH DURING THE YEAR.		GROSS AMOUNT OF INSOLVENTS' ASSETS REALIZED AND DISBURSED.		Remarks.
Total of cols. 3 to 8.	Pending at the close of the year.			Admitted.	Satisfied.	Realized during the year.	Disbursed during the year.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
56	59	2	21	40,242 32 8	897 7 5	15,120 15 8	9,035 9 2	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
43	30	30	18	9,67,470 12 0	8,97,658 12 9	4,46,161 11 0	4,87,497 10 8	
99	89	32	39	10,08,713 9 2	8,98,556 4 2	4,61,282 10 8	4,96,533 3 10	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the use of Juries and Assessors in the Criminal Courts in the Province of Sind in the year 1921.

Classes of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed.	Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications.	NUMBER OF ACCUSED PERSONS IN JURY TRIALS.				NUMBER OF ACCUSED PERSONS IN TRIALS WITH ASSESSORS.				Remarks.
		Tried.	As to whom the Judge.			Tried.	As to whom the Judge			
			Approved verdict.	Did not approve of verdict.	Made reference under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.		Agreed with all the Assessors.	Differed from one or more but not from all the Assessors.	Differed from all the Assessors.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Mag'istrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Cod., Jurors.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Sessions, Assessors... ...	2	...	...	...	...	515	363	62	90	
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (Sessions Court Jurisdiction) Jurors.	5	99	95	4	4	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	7	99	95	4	4	515	363	62	90	

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Karachi, 10th May 1924.

From

C. A. KINCAID, ESQUIRE, C.V.O., I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT,
BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1922.

2. Judicial Statements Nos. 1 to 13 accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C. A. KINCAID,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1922.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The figures for area and population are of those of the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., from 1st January to 1st June 1922, by Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 2nd June to 1st November 1922 and again by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., from 2nd November to 31st December 1922.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:—

Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 1st January to 1st June 1922.

Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, I.C.S., from 2nd June to 31st December 1922.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-law, from 1st January to 31st December 1922.

Mr. E. Raymond, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1922.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from the 15th May to the 14th June 1922.

5. There were on the 31st December 1922—

3 Sessions Judges.
1 Additional Sessions Judge.
1 Assistant Sessions Judge.
7 District Magistrates.
19 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.
19 City and Resident Magistrates.
75 other 1st class Magistrates.
151 2nd class Magistrates.
172 3rd class Magistrates.

Of the above Magistrates, 270 were Special and Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1922—

3 District Judges.
1 Joint Judge.
1 Assistant Judge.
3 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Cantonment Magistrate, Karachi, exercising the powers of a Judge of a Small Cause Court, and the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

3 1st class Sub-Judges.
13 2nd class Sub-Judges.

7. The Judicial Commissioner went on tour to make the annual inspection of the Courts in Sind and he inspected the District and Sessions Court and the 1st class Sub-Court of Hyderabad, the 2nd class, Sub-Courts of Mehar, Tatta, Tando Mahomed Khan, Mirpurkhas and Shahdadpur, the City Magistrate's Court of Hyderabad, the Resident Magistrates' Courts of Mehar and Sujawal, and the 1st class Magistrates' Courts of Tatta, Hyderabad, Sujawal, Tando Mahomed Khan, Mirpurkhas and Shahdadpur.

8. The District Judge of Larkana inspected the Sub-Courts in his district.

9. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working satisfactorily in the Province.

10. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 12,58,175 and the total charges Rs. 11,16,725 during the year under report, disclosing an excess of Rs. 1,41,450 in the receipts over charges.

Criminal Justice.

11. The number of offences and offenders reported during the year under review shows an increase as compared with the preceding year, the figures being—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offenders.
1921	25,058	45,701
1922	27,729	48,067
	+ 2,671	+ 2,366

There is also an increase in the number of offences and offenders in cases returned as true as compared with the previous year as shown below :—

Year.	Offences returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.
1921	23,181	40,506
1922	25,872	43,335
	+ 2,691	+ 2,829

12. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 25,964 to 29,077 and in the number of persons from 46,096 to 49,988. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report fell from 6,597 to

5,788. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several criminal courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner was 50,700.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1921 :—

Year.	Total No. of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	
			On regular trial.	On summary trial.
1921	47,115	25,355	8,237	5,419
1922	50,700	25,935	9,068	8,517
	+ 3,585	+ 580	+ 831	+ 3,098

13. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1922 as contrasted with those in 1921 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.		Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.	Persons imprisoned for default.
			Rigorous.	Simple.				
1921 ...	17	29	3,851	173	8,947	209	709	473
1922 ...	31	48	3,967	169	11,970	200	727	540

The fines in 1922 amounted to Rs. 2,14,604-11-3 as against Rs. 1,42,703-6-4 in 1921, and compensation paid to accused persons in 1922 amounted to Rs. 20,562-2-6 as against Rs. 12,828-4-9 in 1921.

14. Particulars as to the result of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table :—

District.	Under trial.	Acquited or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	16,293	5,224	9,396	13	1,542
Hyderabad	7,501	4,081	2,632	164	624
Sukkur	7,091	4,372	2,004	33	682
Larkana	9,073	6,201	1,183	22	1,667
Nawabshah ...	5,295	3,037	1,226	297	735
Thar Parkar ...	2,333	1,455	480	32	366
Upper Sind Frontier ...	2,365	1,564	636	1	164
Judicial Commissioner's Court.	37	1	28	...	8
Total ...	49,988	25,935	17,585	562	5,788

15. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last three years:—

District.	1920.				1921.				1922.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of	Filed.	Disposed of	Filed.	Disposed of	Filed.	Disposed of	Filed.	Disposed of	Filed.	Disposed of
Karachi	45	38	258	256	66	57	255	232	116	55	263	217
Hyderabad	110	87	476	454	145	115	419	397	153	139	618	453
Sukkur	54	40	116	141	68	73	137	160	178	85	208	130
Larkana	44	53	79	81	66	65	82	83	102	35	124	84

16. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 237 to 249 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime, especially in Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Larkana, Sukkur and Upper Sind Frontier, arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report:—

District.	From motives connected with women.	Other causes.
Karachi	8	...
Hyderabad	28	8
Thar Parkar	11	12
Nawabshah	49	20
Larkana	32	22
Sukkur	20	12
Upper Sind Frontier	19	8

17. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads:—

(1) Offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII, Indian Penal Code.

(2) Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX.

(3) Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.

(4) Offences affecting life, Chapter XVI and attempts thereat.

(5) Attempts at hurt, Chapter XVI.

(6) Criminal force and assault.

(7) Theft, Chapter XVII.

(8) Robbery and dacoity.

(9) Criminal misappropriation of money.

(10) Criminal breach of trust.

(11) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(12) Mischief.

(13) Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII.

(14) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII.

(15) Offences under special and local laws and attempts thereat.

There was a decrease in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the State, Chapter VI, Indian Penal Code.

(2) Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII, and attempts thereat.

(3) Attempts at offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII.

(4) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X.

(5) False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI and attempts thereat.

(6) Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII.

(7) Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII,

(8) Attempts at offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience and morals, Chapter XIV.

(9) Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births and attempts thereat.

(10) Hurt.

(11) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(12) Attempts at criminal force and assault.

(13) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(14) Rape and attempts thereat,

(15) Unnatural offence.

(16) Attempts at theft.

(17) Extortion.

(18) Attempts at robbery and dacoity.

(19) Receiving stolen property.

(20) Cheating.

(21) Criminal trespass and attempts thereat.

(22) Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX.

(23) Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX.

(24) Defamation, Chapter XXI.

18. Security bonds under Chapter VIII of the Criminal Procedure Code were taken in 485 cases as against 495 of the previous year.

19. The number of frivolous and vexatious accusations dealt with summarily under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code, in the year under report, was 134 as against 132 in 1921.

20. Applications for order for maintenance fell from 120 in 1921 to 72 in the year under report. The orders granted numbered 14.

21. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 1,989, that is, 84 more than in the preceding year. Out of these, the sentences were left unaltered in 1,576 cases and were reversed or varied in 399. The sentences were maintained intact in 79·24 per cent. of appeals against 81·15 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	535
(2) Sessions Courts, including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	1,213
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction)	241

The Criminal appeals in the Sessions Courts and the Court of the Judicial Commissioner show an increase of 71 and 39, respectively, and those in the Magistrates' Courts show a decrease of 26.

22. During the year under report, cases of 100 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 3 and the District Magistrates 40. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 13 persons were reversed and sentences of 5 persons reduced or otherwise altered, and in the case of 3 persons, proceedings were quashed and in the case of 48 persons new trials or further inquiries ordered.

23. The following table shows the criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction), in the year under report as compared with that of 1921 and the arrears at the end of the year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1920.	1921. Filed.	1921. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1921.	1922. Filed.	1922. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1922.
1	Criminal appeals ...	10	119	118	11	131	130	12
2	Cases under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	2	2	1	3	1	3
3	Confirmation cases ...	2	13	11	4	23	22	5
4	Reported cases, section 215 Criminal Procedure Code.	...	1	..	1	...	1	..
5	Reported cases, section 308, Criminal Procedure Code.	3	35	36	2	50	47	5
6	Criminal Revision on Court's own motion.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	Criminal Revision on application.	10	93	82	21	61	69	13
8	Criminal application, section 408, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	17	18	...	16	16	...
9	Criminal Transfer application, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	2	21	22	1	36	31	6

The cases of 31 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 20, the sentence of death was confirmed and the cases of 11 persons were pending at the close of the year. The cases of 8 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code, of whom 7 persons were sentenced to transportation for life and 1 was acquitted and discharged.

Civil Justice.

24. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 27,545 as compared with 27,116 in 1921. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1921.	1922.
Hyderabad	5	11
Sukkur	15	13
Larkana	...	2
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,610	1,161

25. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the province during the years 1921 and 1922. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 3·19 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1921 was 3·2 :—

Nature.	1921.	1922.
Money and moveable property ...	24,695	24,997
Mortgage	680	714
Immoveable property	868	878

26. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,46,75,570-2-9 compared with 1,79,40,427-1-11½ in 1921.

27. The total number of suits disposed of was 27,588 as against 27,044 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1922 as compared with the year 1921 :—

Manner of disposal.	1921.	1922.
Without trial	6,475	6,147
Compromised	8,861	9,002
Decreed on confession	1,599	1,957
Decreed *exparte*	3,658	4,145
Dismissed *exparte*	222	172
By arbitration	1,940	2,316
Contested	4,289	3,849

28. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 9,336 out of which 4,635 were pending for more than three months.

29. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 505·3 and 723·6 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 408·7 and 948·5 days, respectively, in 1921.

30. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,256 as against 1,951 in 1921. The number disposed of was 1,230 as against 1,229 in 1921.

31. The number of civil appeals before the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction), was 641 as against 652 in 1921. Of these 234 were disposed of as compared with 240 in 1921. The number of civil appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with

the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1921.	1922.
Hyderabad	82	73
Sukkur	97	116
Larkana	58	43
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction.)	3	2

32. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 409·50 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction), 60·0 and (High Court Jurisdiction), 865·18. The corresponding figures for the year 1921 were 247·05, 40·0 and 700·4.

33. There were in all 20,151 applications for execution before the Civil Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind as against 18,515 in 1921. Of these 17,203 were disposed of as against 15,666 in 1921. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 3,48,570-12-3 as compared with Rs. 5,64,441-7-7 in the year 1921. Moveable property was sold in 115 cases as against 92 in 1921, and attached but subsequently released in 248 as against 247 in 1921.

34. The following table shows the civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction), during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1921 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1920.	1921.		Arrears on 31st December 1921.	1922.		Arrears on 31st December 1922.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	132	57	52	137	54	65	126
II Appeals	64	26	37	53	37	39	51
Miscellaneous Appeals ..	52	42	33	61	59	54	56
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	...	4	2	2	24	21	5
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	4	45	43	6	11	8	9
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	27	55	34	48	55	43	60
Applications under Order XLI, Rule 19, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	1	1	...

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1921.	1921.		Arrears on 31st December 1921.	1922.		Arrears on 31st December 1922.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
Applications under Order XLIV, Rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	1	...	..	...	...
Applications under Order XLV, Rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	5	..	1	4	3	...	7
Applications under Order XLVI, Rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	3	2	2	1	...	1
Applications under Order XLVII, Rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Applications under section 25 of Act IX 1887.	40	27	23	44	27	15	56
Applications under Act XII of 1866.	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
Applications under Act X of 1865	1	12	11	2	14	10	6
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	...	2	1	1	1	1	...

GENERAL.

35. There has been a slight increase both in criminal and civil work in the year under report which, however, does not call for any special comment.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT NO. I—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction, in the province of Sind, on the last day of the year 1922, with the cost of Tribunals.

Name of Province.	Area.	Population.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Total number of officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Total number of cases decided.				Total receipts of the Courts.	Total charges of the Courts.
						Judges of Chief Courts of province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Subordinate Courts.	Original.		Appeals.			
											Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Sind ...	46,506	3,279,377	...	4	14	(a) 4	...	3	(b) 7	13	27,577	17,718	338	136	12,58,175	*11,16,725

(a) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(b) Includes 1 Joint Judge, 1 Assistant Judge, 1 Small Cause Court Judge, 3 First Class Sub-Judges and 1 Cantonment Magistrate exercising Civil powers.

* This includes adjustment contributions, payment to officers of other provinces and foreign service payments.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT NO. I—(CIVIL)—*concld.*

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Orginal and Appellate Jurisdiction, Europeans and Indians, in the province of Sind.

Designation.	Officers exercising both Original and Appellate Jurisdiction.		Officers exercising Orginal Jurisdiction only.	
	Europeans.	Indians.	Europeans.	Indians.
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners	2	2	...	...
District Judges	2	1	...	...
Joint Judges	1	...	...	...
Assistant Judges	...	1	...	...
Small Cause Court Judges	...	...	*1	†2
Subordinate Judges, 1st class	...	...	...	3
Do. 2nd class	...	...	...	13

* Cantonment Magistrate exercising Civil Powers.

† Includes Registrar exercising Small Cause Court powers upto Rs. 20.

M. D'SOUZA.
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction, in the province of Sind, on the last day of the year 1922, with the cost of tribunals.

Name of province.	Area.	Population.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Court of districts.	Number of districts.	Number sub-districts.	Total number of officers exercising original or appellate jurisdiction.					Total number of cases decided.				Total receipts of the Courts.	Total charges of the Courts.
											Original.		Appeals.			
						Judges of Chief Courts of province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of District Courts others than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Sub-Courts.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Sind ...	46,506	2,279,377	...	7	62	(*a*) 4	...	(*b*)12	(*c*) 19	(*d*) 147*	26,169	260	1,195	174	1,258,175	*1,11,725

(*a*) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(*b*) These are 6 District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges, 1 Additional Sessions Judge and 1 Assistant Sessions Judge.

(*c*) These are Assistant Collectors and Deputy Collectors.

(*d*) These are all Stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 9 and 10.

*Besides, there were 50 Special and 220 Honorary Magistrates.

*This includes adjustment, contribution, payment to officers of other provinces and foreign service payments.

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Indians, in the province of Sind.

Designation.	Officers exercising both original and appellate jurisdiction.		Officers exercising original jurisdiction only.	
	Europeans.	Indians.	Europeans.	Indians.
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners	2	2		
Sessions Judgss	2	1		
Additional Sessions Judges	1	...		
Assistant Sessions Judges	...	1		
Magistrates, 1st class*	9	8	6	97
Do. 2nd do.*			1	150
Do. 3rd do.*			1	171

*These include also District Magistrates, Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier and Special and Honorary Magistrates.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2.

(CRIMINAL.)

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Statement of offences reported and of persons offence, in the province of Sind,

Description of offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4
Offences against the State, Chapter VI, Indian Penal Code.	6	15	6	15	...	6
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII.	...	...	...	...	5	5
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	2	2
Offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII.	408	2,452	341	1,983	115	467
Attempts at do ...	1	1	1	1	1	2
Offences by, or relating to, public servants, Chapter IX.	44	68	40	62	9	49
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X.	70	79	70	79	14	84
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI.	276	411	326	328	48	281
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII.	13	16	13	16	6	19
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII.	12	14	12	14	2	14
Attempts at do. ..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.	150	213	147	210	7	154
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...

MENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL).

tried, convicted, and acquitted of each class of in the year 1922.

Number of persons.									
Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
5	6	7	8	6	10	11	12	13	14
15	...	4	...	11	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	10	5	...	...	...	...	..	...	..
2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,655	1,785	336	68	766	56	3	3	57	...
2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
80	36	31	3	10	4	...	...	3	...
...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
99	28	54	2	15	...	...	...	2	...
...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
387	195	99	6	87	40	...	1	5	...
...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	13	9	1	1	...	...	...	1	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
16	6	3	...	7	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
221	75	128	..	18	3	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Description of offences.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported.	Number of cases returned as true	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from previous year	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV.	15	24	13	22	5	18
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI—						
Offences affecting life ...	238	533	223	498	51	304
Attempts at do. ...	11	17	11	17	...	11
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	1	1	1	1	3	4
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hurt	3,611	9,195	3,100	8,158	294	3,495
Attempts at hurt	91	297	90	294	8	98
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	172	503	132	362	19	151
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal force and assault ...	475	1,029	430	927	48	478
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	129	438	96	287	18	114
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	2	2	...	2
Rape	19	29	19	29	5	24
Attempts at rape	...	...	...	...	...	...
Unnatural offence	11	15	10	14	10	20
Attempts at unnatural offence ...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—						
Theft cattle-lifting	1,622	2,024	1,569	2,124	127	1,699
Theft ordinary	1,112	1,469	799	1,273	95	942

MENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL).—*contd.*

Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Number of persons.				Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.					
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
31	12	15	...	4	2	..	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..
659	282	219	4	164	15	...	3	1	...
17	3	14	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
10	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
8,999	7,611	546	103	739	356	60	21	82	...
327	345	38		44	1	...	...	...	...
436	350	23	3	60	40	...	...	3	...
..	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
1,053	853	90	2	108	41	3	..	2	...
..	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
364	211	53	4	96	28	...	...	4	...
2	1	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
38	16	9	...	13	...	...	...	...	...
..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	17	9	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,371	817	1,241	51	262	46	3	19	32	...
1,513	557	720	25	211	54	...	2	23	...

Description of offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—*contd.*						
Extortion	27	80	16	53	6	22
Attempts at extortion ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Robbery and dacoity ...	122	387	78	211	31	109
Attempts at Robbery and dacoity...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal misappropriation of property.	345	697	234	491	50	284
Attempts at do ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal breach of trust ...	497	743	357	535	92	472
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Receiving of stolen property ...	528	723	512	700	89	602
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cheating	325	501	231	336	53	286
Attempts at cheating ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	36	117	26	87	5	31
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mischief	331	835	287	740	36	326
Attempts at mischief ...	...	..	...	...	..	...
Criminal trespass	802	1,768	734	1,560	90	828
Attempts at criminal trespass ...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks Chapter XVIII.	19	38	12	27	2	16
Attempts at do. do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...

MENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL).—*contd.*

Number of persons.									
Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died escaped, or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
73	50	9	4	10	11	...	...	4	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
310	133	99	5	73	44	....	..	5	...
...	...	...	..	.	...	...	...	...	...
595	387	90	5	111	109	...	1	5	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
659	442	85	16	116	136	2	1	15	...
...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	..
835	253	426	17	139	13	2	8	9	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
417	250	90	8	69	89	3	1	7	...
...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..
111	83	5	...	23	10	..	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
874	553	91	10	220	38	3	6	4	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1,834	1,274	324	14	222	60	7	...	14	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
31	15	11	...	5	5	..	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Description of offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of offenders reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.
1	2	2a	3	3a	3b	4
Criminalbreach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX.	10	15	10	15	6	16
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX.	865	3,154	692	2,649	166	859
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Defamation, Chapter XXI ..	70	467	53	97	6	59
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII.	1,092	2,730	939	2,269	1,015	2,457
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Special and Local laws .	14,240	16,719	14,057	16,531	1,505	15 556
Attempts at do. ...	125	292	125	292	28	153
Total ...	27,729	48,067	25,872	43,335	3,428	29,077

MENT NO. 2—(CRIMINAL).—*concld.*

Number of persons.									
Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
41	30	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3,409	2,429	126	110	744	171	1	...	110	...
...	..	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...
108	68	14	1	25	17	...	...	1	...
...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,129	109	2	211	146	...	2	...	2	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...
8,485	4,606	12,191	87	1,483	182	...	11	76	...
365	91	250	8	16	....	...	...	8	...
49,988	25,935	17,585	562	5,788	1,723	89	77	485	...

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

Statement showing the general result of the trial of European

Description of offence.	Persons whose cases were disposed of								
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court.	
			Committed						
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	To Courts of Session.	To High Court.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII.	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..
Offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII.	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	..	...
Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX.	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.	...
Attempts at do. ..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Contempts of the lawful authority or public servants, Chapter X.	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..
Attempts at do. ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

MENT NO. 2-A—(CRIMINAL).

British subjects, in the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Total for all Courts.		Of the total number of persons shown in									
		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 and 10.		Columns 11 and 12.		
									Number whose cases were disposed of by.		
									Magistrates.		Sessions Judges.
Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 450 (1) of the Code	Number who did not so claim	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..
...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Description of offence.	Persons whose cases were disposed of.								
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court.	
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committed		Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.
			To Courts of Session.	To High Court.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Offences relating to Government stamps, Chapter XII.	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	..
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	..	...
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.	2	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV.	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI—									
Offences affecting life ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Causing of miscarriage; injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	..	..	...		...	...	...	...	...
Hurt	1	8	...	..	...	...	...	..	...
Attempts at hurt ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

MENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL)—*contd.*

Total for all Courts.		Of the total number of persons shown in.										
		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 and 10.		Columns 11 and 12.			
									Number whose cases were disposed of by			
									Magistrates.		Sessions Judges.	
Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
..	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
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1	8	...	9	...	...	...	...	..	9	...	...	...
..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Description of offence.	Persons whose cases were disposed of								
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court.	
			Committed.						
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	To Courts or Session.	To High Court.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI—*contd.*									
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ..	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...
Criminal force and assault.	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery, and forced labour.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do.	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rape	...	...	...	...	...	...	. .	...	...
Attempts at rape ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Unnatural offence ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—									
Theft	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at theft ...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...
Extortion	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at extortion ..	...	..	...	.	...	...	...	...	...
Robbery and dacoity ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...

MENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL)—*contd.*

Total for all Courts.		Of the total number of persons shown in,									
		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 and 10.		Columns 11 and 12.			
									Number whose cases were disposed of by			
									Magistrates.		Sessions Judges.	
Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim	Being European British subjects	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Description of offence.	Persons whose cases were disposed of								
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Courts of Sessions.			By High Court.	
			Committed.						
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	To Courts of Session.	To High Court.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Courts under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—*contd.*									
Criminal misappropriation of property.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal breach of trust ..	2	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Receiving of stolen property.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cheating	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at cheating ...	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mischief	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at mischief ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal trespass ...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Attempts at do ...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...

MENT NO. 2-A—(CRIMINAL)—*contd.*

Total for all Courts.		Of the total number of persons shown in									
		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 and 10		Columns 11 and 12.		
									Number whose cases were disposed of by		
									Magistrates.		Sessions Judges.
Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British subjects	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..
2	1	..	3	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	..	...
..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
1	..	..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	3	...	3	...	...	...	..	..	2	1	...	..
..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
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...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	2	..	3	...	...	...	..	...	3	..	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	.	...	...

Description of offence.	Persons whose cases were disposed of								
	By District Magistrates and other 1st class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court	
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committed.		Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.
			To Courts or Session.	To High Court.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX.	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Defamation, Chapter XXI ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII.	...	6	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under special and local Laws.	131	101	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Attempts at do. ..	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	...
Total ...	143	121	...	..	...	..	..	...	...

MENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL)—*concld.*

Total for all Courts.		Of the total number of persons shown in.										
		Columns 2 to 5.			Columns 6 to 8.		Columns 9 and 10		Columns 11 and 12.			
									Number whose cases were disposed of by.			
									Magistrates.		Sessions Judges.	
Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 13 whose cases were transferred under section 451 (9) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, section 450 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, section 450 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
131	101	...	232	...	...	...	...	...	207	25	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
143	121	...	264	...	...	...	...	...	235	29	...	...

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Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of miscellaneous proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code, in the province of Sind, during 1922.

Nature of proceedings.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year.	Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged.	No. of persons convicted or bound by an order.	Pending.		Died.	Escaped.	On dormant file.
					Cases.	Persons.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI-C and section 485.	1	1	...	1	...	..	...	...	...
2. Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace.	83	405	286	81	6	38	...	..	...
3. Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour.	485	1202	339	783	20	60	...	20	...
4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X.	1	1	...	1	...	..	...	..	...
5. Possession, Chapter XII.	8	32	25	3	1	4	...	...	...
6. Frivolous or vexatious accusations summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, section 250.	134	182	44	138	...	...	...	...	...
7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, section 332.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	72	72	55	14	3	3	...	...	...
9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance, under Chapter XLII.	131	174	29	142	1	3	...	...	...
10. Proceedings, under Chapter XLVI, section 563, against convicted offenders released, under section 562.	14	21	..	21	...	..	...	...	...
Total ...	929	2090	778	1184	31	108	...	20	...

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 4.

(CRIMINAL.)

Statement showing the general result of criminal trials of Sind, in the

Class of Courts.	Total number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases					
		Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	Discharged or acquitted.	Con			
				On regular trial.			
				Sentence passed.	Released on probation, section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.	
						Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Village officers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14.	2,587	14	1,435	169	1	..	...
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	8,985	11	3,191	1,885	88	...	..
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	23,518	348	13,700	5,316	25	...	...
Benches of Magistates ...	14,554	188	7,227	1,077	13	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	23	...	2	20	...	...	...
Chief Magistrates of district .	226	1	73	133	...	..	...
Courts of Session ...	770	...	306	313	...	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (H. C. J.).	37	...	1	28	...	...	..
Total ...	50,700	562	25,935	8,941	127	...	...

MENT NO. 4—(CRIMINAL).

in the tribunals of various classes, in the province
year 1922.

were disposed of.											
victed.									Remarks.		
On summary trial.											
Sentence passed.	Released on probation, section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.		Committed or referred.	Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.	Number of cases disposed of during the year.	Average number of days during which each case lasted.	Number of witnesses examined.	Died.	Escaped.	Transferred
		Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian &c.								
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
604	...	...	...	...	364	1,619	19,539 *or* 12·07	3,810	2	...	...
2,889	100	...	...	117	586	8,182	329,563 *or* 40·28	22,601	...	...	...
976	15	...	...	558	2,580	10,852	147,539 *or* 13·59	43,739	...	...	...
3,933	...	...	...	...	2,116	8,909	67,022 *or* 7·64	17,048	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	13	113 *or* 8·69	67	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	19	69	1,506 *or* 21·83	27	1	...	...
...	...	...	...	37	114	314	17,385 *or* 55·36	3,470	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	8	24	2,148 *or* 89·5		...	...	...
8,402	115	...	...	712	5788	29,982	686,647 *or* 22·94	90,762	3	...	...

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar,

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various

Class of tribunal.	Persons sentenced to								Persons ordered to find or give security or recognizance to keep the peace, or sureties for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.				
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.		Forfeiture of property.	Fine.	Whipping.			Rs. 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.
				Rigorous.	Simple.									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Village officers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—														
Special Magistrates, under section 14.	...	...	...	125	18	...	649	10	..	...	437	182	22	8
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	32	3	...	57	...	...	...	9	20	24	4
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	3,065	127	...	6,490	190	609	444	4,480	2,477	370	153
Benches of Magistrates.	...	...	..	390	16	3	4,649	...	70	85	4,356	277	15	1
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, C. P. C.	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chief Magistrates of districts.	...	...	...	77	...		70	...	44	11	...	...	25	43
Courts of Sessions ...	11	41	..	258	5	...	55	...	4	...	4	14	21	14
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (H.C.J.)	20	7	...	1	—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	31	48	...	3,967	169	3	11,970	200	727	540	9,286	2,970	477	223

MENT No. 5—(CRIMINAL).

criminal tribunals, in the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Detail of punishment.													
Fine.					Imprisonment.					Whipped.			
Rs. 1,000 and under.	Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of fines realized during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	15 days and under.	6 months and under.	2 years and under.	7 years and under.	Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.	Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	9,237 0 0	7,100 0 0	630 0 0	40	95	8	...	...	10	...	...	...
..	...	3,820 0 0	3,524 0 0	120 0 0	8	21	6	...	...	...	..	...	...
10	...	186,075 10 9	1,49,109 6 0	10,730 2 0	382	1,770	1,484	...	...	116	65	9	...
...	...	23,483 5 0	21,600 11 0	1,040 11 0	66	339	1	...	85	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	1	19	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	34,500 0 0	23,467 4 3	5,721 5 6	...	5	31	52	...	...	...	...	1
1	1	12,040 0 0	9,803 12 0	2,320 0	6	56	94	104	3	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	2	2,69,155 15 9	2,14,604 11 3	20,562 2 6	502	2,287	2,643	156	88	126	65	9	1

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART I.

Statement showing the particulars of whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals, under sections 2 and 3 of Act VI of 1864, in lieu of other punishments, in the province of Sind, during the year 1922.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of persons awarded			Total.	Remarks.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
In lieu of other punishments (sections 2 and 3, Act VI of 1864).	...	...	...	...	
1 Theft as defined in—					
Section 378, I. P. C.	51	13	...	64	
„ 380 „	59	16	4	79	
„ 381 „	4	5	2	11	
„ 382 „	...	1	...	1	
Act VII of 1878, (Forest Act)—	2	...	...	2	
Section 379, I. P. C.	1	...	...	1	
„ 377 „	...	...	...	..	
2. Dishonestly receiving stolen property as defined in—					
Act IV of 1887, (Gambling)	...	...	...	...	
Section 411, I. P. C.	1	4	2	7	
„ 412 „	...	...	...	...	
„ 326 „	1	...	...	1	
3. Lurking house-trespass as defined in section 443, I. P. C.	...	...	...	..	
4. Lurking house-trespass by night as defined in section 444, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
5. House-breaking as defined in section 445, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
6. House-breaking by night as defined in section 286, I. P. C.	4	6	...	10	
Total ...	123	45	8	176	
On first conviction	120	42	7	169	
On re-conviction	3	3	1	7	
Total ...	123	45	8	176	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART II.

Statement showing whipping inflicted in addition to other punishments, sections 3 and 4, Act VI of 1864, in the province of Sind, during the year 1922.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of persons awarded.			Total.	Remarks.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
In addition to other punishment (sections 3 and 4.)					
1. Rape as defined in section 375, I. P. C. ...	..	...	...	...	
2. Unnatural offence as defined in section 377, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
3. Robbery as defined in section 390, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
4. Dacoity as defined in section 391, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	...	...	...	...	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART III.

Statement showing whippings inflicted under section 5, Act IV of 1909, on Juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II, in the province of Sind, during the year 1922.

Offences.	Number of persons awarded.			Total.	Remarks.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Criminal breach of trust, sections 406 and 409, I. P. C. ...	...	...	...	...	
2. Do. section 379, I. P. C. ...	...	20	20	40	
3. Do. section 304, I. P. C. ...	...	...	...	...	
4. Do. section 394 I. P. C. ...	...	...	1	1	
Total ...	...	20	21	41	
On 1st conviction ...	...	20	21	41	
On re-conviction ...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	...	20	21	41	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5-A (CRIMINAL).

PART IV.

Statement showing relative number of times whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments in the province of Sind, during the year 1922.

Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
1	2	3
1. Total number of whippings awarded ...	200	
2. Total number of other punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded.	859	
3. Total number of all punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded (total of headings 1 and 2).	1,059	
4. Percentage of whippings on total number of all punishments (percentage of heading 1 on heading 3).	18·89	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the result of appeal and revision in criminal cases, in the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Tribunals.	Number of Persons.													Remarks.
	Total number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Court.	Died escaped or transferred to another province or presidency.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence enhanced.	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered.	Sentence reversed.	Proceedings quashed.	New trial or further enquiry ordered.	Referred for revision to the High Court.	Pending trial.	Average number of days during which each appeal or application lasted.	Number of appeal cases or applications for revision disposed of during the year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
APPEALS.														
To Chief Magistrates of districts	537	...	311	131	..	16	74	2	1	...	2	1,945 or 6·04	322	
To Court of Sessions	1,265	...	728	190	...	147	137	2	11	...	52	26,743 or 30·63	873	
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	254	...	138	78	...	16	9	...	...	...	•13	7,029 or 51·31	137	
Total ...	2,056	...	1,177	399	...	179	220	4	12	...	67	29,717 or 22·31	1,332	
REVISION.														
By Chief Magistrates of districts	40	...	17	13	...	...	1	...	7	2	...	245 or 6·44	38	
By Court of Sessions	142	...	154	2	...	...	...	1	41	32	139	2,589 or 26·96	96	
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	117	...	56	42	...	5	12	2	...	...	17	3,653 or 51·45	71	
Total ...	299	...	227	57	...	5	13	3	48	34	156	6,487 or 31·64	205	
Grand Totnl ...	2,355	...	1,406	456	...	184	233	7	60	34	223	36.204 or 23·55	1,537	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 7—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts, in the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Title and other suits.									Grand Total.	Remarks.
		Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Suits to establish a right of pre-emption.	Mortgage suits.	Suits relating to religious and other endowments.	Matrimonial suits.	Testamentary suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.												
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
Courts of Subordinate Judges	17,409	787	139	6	680	...	26	...	653	2,291	19,700	
Do. do. with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Small Cause Courts	6,658	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,658	
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	5	10	4	...	...	...	...	2	5	21	26	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	925	81	6	...	34	1	8	1	105	236	1,161	
Total ...	24,997	878	149	6	714	1	34	3	763	2,548	27,545	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act III of 1876 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	24,997	878	149	6	714	1	34	3	763	2,548	27,545	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 8.—(CIVIL).

Statement showing number and value of suits instituted in the Civil and Revenue Courts, in the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits insitituted in different Courts.									Total value of suits.	Remarks.
	Not exceeding Rs. 10.	Not exceeding Rs. 50.	Not exceeding Rs. 100.	Not exceeding Rs. 500.	Not exceeding Rs. 1,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 5,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.											
I.—CIVIL COURTS.											
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Sub-ordinate Judges	1,106	6,995	4,014	5,446	905	685	130	118	23	97,89,706 4	
Courts of Subordinate Judges with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Small Cause Courts	329	1,861	1,269	2,545	654	...	...	...	...	11,20,448 11 7	
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Districts Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	3	5	3	3	3	...	9	23,083 9 10	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	...	34	46	102	68	665	137	47	62	37,42,631 12 0	
Total ...	1,435	8,890	5,332	8,098	1,630	1,353	270	165	94	14,675,870 2 9	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.											
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,435	8,890	5,332	8,098	1,630	1,353	270	165	94	14,675,870 2 9	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 9—(CIVIL).

PART I—CIVIL SUITS.

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JUDICIAL STATE-

PART I—

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of Civil in the Province of Sind

Class of Courts.	Total No. of suits before the Courts.	Number of suits disposed of							
		Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Without trial.	Without contest.				On reference to arbitration.	
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed *ex-parte*.	Dismissed *ex-parte*.	For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.									
I.—CIVIL COURTS.									
Unpaid Tribunals	...	.	..	..	...	...	...	...	..
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	25,385	1	5,387	8,170	157	1,714	49	1,994	41
Courts of Subordinate Judges with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	..
Small Cause Courts ...	8,165	8	473	679	1,765	2,339	105	94	26
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	49	...	8	...	1	1	1	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3,334	...	279	153	34	91	17	157	4
Total ...	36,933	9	6,147	9,002	1,957	4,145	172	2,245	71
II.—REVENUE COURTS.									
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906.	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	36,933	9	6,147	9,002	1,957	4,145	172	2,245	71

MENT No. 9.—(CIVIL).

CIVIL SUITS.

and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the year 1922.

With contest.					Average duration of suits.		Remarks.			
Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.	Total disposed of, cols. 3 to 12.	Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Contested.	Uncontested.	Arrears.	Re-admitted.	Received by transfer.	Total.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
2,000	372	19,885	5,500	2,611	4,26,499 or 179·80	9,38,571 or 95·87	4,556	947	12	5,515
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
763	222	6,474	1,691	797	1,29,119 or 131·08	3,45,836 or 70·75	1,507	...	...	1,507
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	4	18	31	30	3,882 or 554·57	822 or 274	23	12	..	35
423	62	1,220	2,114	1,197	2,44,716 or 504·57	2,14,703 or 727·80	2,173	..	...	2,173
3,189	660	27,597	9,336	4,635	7,98,216 or 207·38	1,49,932 or 96·87	8,259	959	12	9,230
...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
8,189	660	27,597	9,336	4,635	7,98,216 or 207·38	1,49,932 or 96·87	8,259	959	12	9,230

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PART II—MISCELLANEOUS

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil in the province of Sind

Class of Courts.	Total number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of							
		Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Without trial.	Without contest.				On reference to Arbitration.	
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed *ex-parte*.	Dismissed *ex-parte*.	For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.									
I.—CIVIL COURTS.									
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..
Village Courts	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	450	...	112	33	47	20	6	3	2
Courts of Subordinate Judges with Small Cause Court Jurisdiction.	...	...	...	.	..	...	...	...	..
Small Cause Courts	43	...	20	3	9	...	...	...	...
Courts of Cantonment Magistrates.	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	...
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	295	...	81	14	19	64	8	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	852	...	247	65	23	48	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	55	...	8	...	2	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,695	...	468	115	100	132	14	3	2
II.—REVENUE COURTS.									
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,695	...	468	115	100	132	14	3	2

MENT No. 9—(CIVIL).

CASES (JUDICIAL).

and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction, in the year 1922.

With contest.			Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average duration of cases contested and uncontested.	Remarks.			
Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.	Total disposed of, columns 3 to 12.				Arrears.	Re-admitted.	Restored.	Total.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
61	22	306	144	77	26,325 *or* 139·28	139	104	3	246
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
2	..	34	9	4	4,673 *or* 333·78	8	...	..	8
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	7	203	92	71	17,461 *or* 143·16	118	88	...	206
264	...	647	205	168	84,429 *or* 115.04	...	...	...	...
22	8	40	15	11	2,755	12	...	...	55
359	37	1,230	465	331	1,35,643 *or* 182.56	277	192	3	515
...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
359	37	1,230	465	331	1,35,643 *or* 182·56	277	192	3	515

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JUDICIAL STATE-

PART I.—APPEALS

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of Appeals before the Court.	Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Decisions confirmed under O. XLI, r. 11, C.P.C.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	Heard *exparte*.			
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL COURTS.								
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	637	13	19	28	12	...	1	2
Judicial Commissioner's Court. (District Court Jurisdiction).	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court. (High Court Jurisdiction). — 1st Appeals.	191	...	6	16	...	...	...	...
Do. — 2nd Appeals.	90	...	8	1	...	...	...	...
Total ...	922	13	33	47	12	...	1	2

MENT NO. 10—(CIVIL).

FROM DECREES.

Courts, of the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Contested.				Total disposed of (columns 3 to 13).	Pending.	Of these pending more than three months.	Average duration of appeals.		Objections under O. XLI. r. 22, C.P.C.	Remarks.		
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.				Contested.	Uncontested.		Arrears.	Re-admitted.	Total.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
100	14	37	6	232	405	338	75,890 or 483·38	19,113 or 26·84	7	412	4	416
...	...	...	...	2	2	2	..	...	...	...	...	...
18	7	17	1	65	126	115	38,554 or 896·6		6	137	...	137
19	...	10	1	39	51	49	24,604 or 820·13	...	3	53	...	53
137	21	64	8	338	584	504	1,39,048 or 604·56	19,113 or 26·84	16	602	4	606

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Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of Appeals before the Court.	Transferred to Courts in other Province or Presidency.	Decisions confirmed under O. XLI, r. 11, C. P. C.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	Heard *ex-Parte*.			
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL COURTS.								
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges.	122	2	8	47	5	...	18	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	110	...	16	15	...	...	..	...
Total ...	236	2	24	34	5	...	18	..

MENT No. 10—(CIVIL).

LANEOUS APPEALS.

Courts, of the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Contested.				Total disposed of (columns 3 to 13).	Pending.	Of these pending more than three months.	Average duration of miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts.		Objections under O. XLI. r. 22, C. P. C.	Remarks.		
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.				Contested.	Uncontested.		Pending.	Re-admitted.	Total.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
18	2	8	...	78	44	30	12,414 or 443·36	7,274 or 42·29	1	34	...	34
1	...	...	...	4	...	...	460 or 230	...	...	3	...	3
10	1	12	...	54	56	42	16,044 or 697·56	...	...	61	..	61
29	3	21	...	136	100	72	28,918 or 545·62	7,274 or 42·29	1	98	...	98

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JUDICIAL STATE-

Statement showing the result of proceedings on and Revenue Courts in the province

Class of Courts.	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts.*	Applications disposed of					Pending at the end of the year.	Number of applications pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Amount realized.
		By transfer.	Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuose.	Total disposed of (columns 3 to 6.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.									
I.—Civil Courts.									
Unpaid Tribunals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Village Courts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	14,118	...	2,054	970	8,753	11,777	2,341	818	2,45.428 4 3
Courts with S. C. C. Jurisdiction ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Small Cause courts	4,819	5	581	491	3,454	4,531	288	52	44,670 15 8
Cantonment Magistrate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
District Courts (including those of the Joint and Assistant Judges).	35	1	4	...	10	15	20	13	3,757 14 9
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,179	7	171	79	623	880	299	257	54,713 9 7
Total ...	20,151	13	2,810	1,540	12,840	17,203	2,948	1,140	3 48,570 12 3
II.—Revenue Courts.									
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906.	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	.....
Grand total ...	20,151	13	2,810	1,540	12,840	17,203	2,948	1,140	3,48,570 12 3

* That is the total of the entries in cols. 7 and 8.

MENT No. 11—(CIVIL).

applications for the execution of decrees of the Civil of Sind, in the year 1922.

Number of Applications.												Remarks,		
On which the judgement-debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested but released without imprisonment.	On which moveable property		On which immoveable property.			On which possession was given		On which specific performance was enforced	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than the preceding columns.	Arrears.	Restored.	Total.
		Was sold.	Was attached but subsequently released.	Was sold.	Was dealt with under r. 83, O. XXI s. 2 of Schedule III or s.72 of Act V of 1908.	Was attached but subsequently released under r. 55 O. XXI.	Of moveables.	Of immoveables.						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
51	165	57	114	102	29	75	...	81	8	14	...	2,012	3	2,012
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
68	92	47	115	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	474	...	474
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	13
6	14	11	19	13	...	9	...	101	...	4	...	213	..	213
126	271	115	248	115	29	84	...	182	8	18	...	2,712	3	2,712
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
126	271	115	248	115	29	34	...	132	8	18	..	2,712	3	2,712

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 12 (CIVIL).

Statement showing the number and result of applications and proceedings under the Provincial Insolvency Act, V of 1920, in the province of Sind, in the year of 1922.

Class of Courts.	Applications for declaration of Insolvency.									Number of Insolvents discharged during the year under section 41.	Number of Insolvents' estates in the hands of Receivers in which proceedings were finally closed during the year.	Amount of Creditor's claims dealt with during the year.		Gross amount of Insolvents' assets realized and disbursed.				Remarks
	Total number for hearing.†	Transferred to another Province or Presidency, withdrawn, &c.	Granted.		Rejected.			Total of columns 3 to 8.	Pending at the close of the year.			Admitted.	Satisfied.	Realized during the year.	Disbursed during the year.	Pending.	
			A Receiver being appointed.	A Receiver not being appointed.	Penal proceedings under section 69 not being taken.	Sentence of imprisonment being passed under section 69.	Applicant being sent to the Magistrate to be dealt with.										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Courts other than District Courts.*	136	26	30	4	2	...	...	62	74	9	8	49,249 5 1	532 5 0	13,521 12 1	12,204 11 11	59	
District Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court. (District Court Jurisdiction).	147	...	75	...	...	...	...	75	72	19	55	12,78,589 13 3	10,87,563 10 9	5,77,789 10 0	5,08,787 5 6	30	
Total ...	283	26	105	4	2	...	...	137	146	28	63	13,27,839 2 4	10,88,095 15 9	5,91,311 6 1	5,20,992 1 5	89	

* Specially empowered under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 3 of Act V of 1920, (*vide* G. N., J. D., No. 3338, dated the 16th June 1910.

† That is the total of the entries in columns 9 and 10.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the use of Juries and Assessors in the Criminal Courts, in the province of Sind, in the year 1922.

Classes of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed.	Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications.	Number of accused persons in jury trials.				Number of accused persons in trials with assessors.				Remarks.
		Tried.	As to whom the Judge.			Tried.	As to whom the Judge.			
			Approved verdict.	Did not approve of verdict.	Made reference under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.		Agreed with all the assessors.	Differed from one or more but not from all the assessors	Differed from all the assessors.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Code, Jurors.	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Sessions, Assessors	..	...	...	...	...	433	135	180	118	
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (Sessions Court Jurisdiction) { Jurors ...	5	112	109	3	3	2	1	..	1	
{ Assessors ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	
Total ...	7	112	109	3	3	435	136	180	119	

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COURT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND,

Karachi, 30th October 1924.

From

B. C. KENNEDY, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

2. Judicial Statements Nos. 25 to 36 accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. C. KENNEDY,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377, according to the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I C.S., from 1st January to 7th March 1923, by Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 8th March to 13th November 1923 and again by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., from 14th November to 31st December 1923.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, I.C.S., from 1st January to 13th November 1923.

Mr B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 14th November to 31st December 1923.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 20th March and again from 18th June to 31st December 1923.

Mr. N. W. Kemp, Bar.-at-Law, from 21st March to 17th June 1923.

Mr. E. Raymond, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1923.

Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 21st June to 31st December 1923.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from the 21st May to the 20th June 1923.

5. There were on the 31st December 1923—

3 Sessions Judges.

2 Additional Sessions Judges.

2 1st class, Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

7 District Magistrates.

15 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

13 City and Resident Magistrates.

147 Other 1st, 2nd and 3rd class Magistrates.

Besides the above, there were 296 Special and Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1923—

3 District Judges.

1 Joint Judge.

1 Assistant Judge.

3 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Cantonment Magistrate, Karachi, exercising the powers of a Judge of a Small Cause Court, and the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

3 1st class Sub-Judges.

13 2nd class, Sub-Judges.

7. The Judicial Commissioner went on tour to make the annual inspection of the Courts in Sind and he inspected the District and Sessions Courts and the 1st class Sub-Courts of Sukkur and Larkana, the 2nd class Sub-Courts of Sehwan, Shikarpur and Jacobabad, the City Magistrates' Courts of Sukkur and Shikarpur, the Resident Magistrate's Court of Larkana, the 1st class Magistrates' Courts of Sehwan, Sukkur, Shikarpur, Jacobabad and Nawabshah, and the 2nd class Magistrate's Court of Jacobabad.

8. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Sub-Courts of Naushahro, Shahdadpur and Tando Mahomed Khan and the District Judge, Larkana, those of Mehar and Sehwan.

9. A Judicial Conference was held during the year under report by the District Judge, Hyderabad.

10. The heavy increase in, and arrears of, work in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, necessitated the temporary appointment of a 5th Judge. The appointment which was created by Government in the first instance for a period of six months with effect from the 21st June 1923, was sanctioned for a further period of six months under Government Resolution, Home Department, No. 3041-II, dated the 16th November 1923.

11. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working satisfactorily in the Province.

12. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 12,47,052 and the total charges Rs. 10,73,421 during the year under report disclosing an excess of Rs. 1,73,631 in the receipts over charges.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

13. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review shows an increase as compared with the preceding year, the figures being:—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offences returned as true.
1922	27,729	25,872
1923	32,516	30,533
	+4,787	+4,661

14. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 29,077 to 32,978 and in the number of persons from 49,988 to 52,278. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 5,788 to 6,131. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner was 52,926.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1922:—

Year.	Total No. of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted
1922	50,700	25,935	17,585
1923	52,926	27,265	18,276
	+2,226	+1,330	+691

15. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1923 as contrasted with those in 1922:—

Year.	Death.	Transportion.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1922 ...	31	48	4,676	11,970	200	727
1923 ...	31	51	4,443	13,623	147	964

The fines in 1923 amounted to Rs. 2,12,679-6-3 as against Rs. 2,69,155-15-9 in 1922 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1923 amounted to Rs. 7,639-0-10 as against Rs. 20,562-2-6 in 1922.

16. Particulars as to the results of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table:—

District.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi ..	18,327	7,518	9,952	7	850
Hyderabad ...	8,273	3,881	2,909	355	1,128
Sukkur ...	6,836	4,002	1,718	31	1,085
Larkana ...	9,279	5,975	1,487	32	1,785
Thar Parkar ..	2,485	1,577	515	77	316
Nawabshah ..	4,528	2,635	1,080	100	713
Upper Sind Frontier .	2,516	1,673	588	3	252
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind... ...	34	4	27	1	2
Total ...	52,278	27,265	18,276	606	6,131

17. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last three years :—

District.	1921.				1922.				1923.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi ..	66	57	255	232	55	55	205	217	44	44	218	213
Hyderabad ..	125	123	381	397	135	139	448	453	123	110	392	340
Sukkur	68	73	137	130	73	88	131	130	89	72	94	93
Larkana ...	66	65	82	83	38	35	76	73	74	59	77	71

18. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 249 to 275 in the year under report. A large

portion of this class of crime, specially in Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Larkana, Sukkur and Upper Sind Frontier, arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women.

19. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the public tranquility.
(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.
(4) Offences relating to weights and measures.
(5) Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.
(6) Offences affecting life.
(7) Hurt.
(8) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
(9) Unnatural offences.
(10) Criminal breach of trust.
(11) Receiving of stolen property.
(12) Cheating.
(13) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
(14) Mischief.
(15) Criminal trespass.
(16) Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks.
(17) Criminal breach of contracts of service.
(18) Offences relating to marriage.
(19) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.
(20) Offences under special and local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the State.
(2) Offences by, or relating to, public servants.
(3) Offences relating to coins.
(4) Offences relating to religion.
(5) Criminal force and assault.
(6) Rape.
(7) Theft.
(8) Extortion.
(9) Robbery and dacoity.
(10) Criminal misappropriation of property.
(11) Defamation.

20. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 1,682, that is 307 less than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 1,363 cases and were

reversed or varied in 297. The sentences were maintained intact in 81·03 per cent. of appeals against 79·24 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts... 459
(2) Sessions Courts (including the Judicial Commissioner's Court) 972
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) 251

The Criminal Appeals in the Magistrates' Courts and the Sessions Courts show a decrease of 76 and 241, respectively, and those in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner show an increase of 10.

21. During the year under report, cases of 137 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 178 and the District Magistrates 68. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 17 persons were reversed, of 6 persons altered and of 111 persons were otherwise disposed of.

22. The following table shows the Criminal work diposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1922 and the arrears at the end of the year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1921.	1922.		Arrears on 31st December 1922.	1923.		Arrears on 31st December 1923.
			Filed.	Disposed of		Filed.	Disposed of	
1	Criminal appeals ..	11	131	130	12	138	141	9
2	Cases under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	3	1	3	5	8	...
3	Confirmation cases ...	4	23	22	5	12	15	2
4	Reported cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
5	Reported cases, section 308, Criminal Procedure Code.	2	50	47	5	41	41	5
6	Criminal Revision on Court's own motion.	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
7	Criminal Revision Applications.	21	61	69	13	95	95	13
8	Criminal Applications, section 408, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	16	16	...	19	19	...
9	Criminal transfer applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	36	31	6	26	31	1

The cases of 20 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the cases of 15, the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 2, the conviction and sentence was reversed; in the case of 1, the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life and the cases of 2 persons were pending at the close of the year. The cases of 11 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code, of whom 1 was sentenced to transportation for life, 2 were acquitted and discharged and the rest sentenced to various terms of imprisonment.

23. The Criminal Procedure Code, as amended by Acts XII, XVIII and XXXVII of 1923, came into force with effect from 1st September 1923. As regards the effect of the amendments in the mofussil nothing of importance has been noticed. The interval, however, has been too short to form a definite opinion about the changes made. The effects of the change in the constitution of this Court apparently introduced by accident by the New Code are far reaching and deleterious and the Judicial Commissioner proposes to submit a special report on the matter before long.

Civil Justice.

24. The total number of Civil Suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 28,452 as compared with 27,545 in 1922. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1922.	1923.
Hyderabad	11	5
Sukkur	13	11
Larkana	2	...
Court of the Judical Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,161	1,089

25. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1922 and 1923. Suits

relating to immoveable property formed only 2·74 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1922 was 3·19.

Nature.	1922.	1923
Money and moveable property ...	24,997	25,443
Mortgage	714	769
Immoveable property	878	780

26. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,36,32,957-13-8 compared with Rs. 1,46,75,570-2-9 in 1922.

27. The total number of suits disposed of was 28,782 as against 27,588 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1923 as compared with the year 1922 :—

Manner of disposal.	1922.	1923.
Without trial	6,147	6,460
By arbitration	2,316	2,625
Contested	3,849	3,909
Without contest	15,276	15,788

28. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 9,781.

29. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 474·87 and 522·07 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 505·3 and 723·6 days, respectively, in 1922.

30. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 1,508 as against 1,695 in 1922. The number disposed of was 1,093 as against 1,230 in 1922.

31. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court

Jurisdiction) was 684 as against 641 in 1922. Of these 295 were disposed of as compared with 234 in 1922. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1922.	1923.
Hyderabad	73	109
Sukkur	116	153
Larkana	43	31
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	2

32. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 461·59 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) 252·1 and (High Court Jurisdiction) 671·18. The corresponding figures for the year 1922 were 409·5, 60·0 and 865·18.

33. There were in all 21,705 applications for execution before the Civil Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind as against 20,151 in 1922. Of these 18,516 were disposed of as against 17,203 in 1922. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 5,30,625-4-7 as compared with Rs. 3,48,570-12-3 in the year 1922. Moveable property was sold in 130 cases as against 115 in 1922, and attached but subsequently released in 228 as against 248 in 1922.

34. 237 Insolvency petitions were presented during the year. Out of 342 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 210 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 132. The number of insolvents discharged was 27 as against 12 in 1922. The orders of adjudication in respect of 6 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court has risen from 127 to 235.

35. The following table shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1922 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1921.	1922.		Arrears on 31st December 1922.	1923		Arrears on 31st December 1923.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals ...	137	54	65	126	50	100	76
II Appeals ...	53	37	39	51	52	46	57
Miscellaneous appeals .	61	49	54	56	48	62	42
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	2	2	3	1	...	1	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	6	32	32	6	28	32	2
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	48	50	74	24	45	52	17
Applications under Order XLI, r. 19, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Applications under Order XLV, r. 2, Civil Procedure Code.	4	3	2	5	7	5	7
Applications under Order XLVI, r. 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	...	1	...	1	...
Applications under Order XLVII, r. 1, Civil Procedure Code.	2	7	5	4	3	2	5
Applications under Act X of 1865.	2	14	11	5	9	12	2
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	44	28	33	39	42	40	41
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	1	1	1	1	17	1	17

GENERAL.

36. There has been a slight increase both in Criminal and Civil work in the year under report which however does not call for any special comment.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar.

STATEMENT No. 25.—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1923.

Name of Province.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Number of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Remarks.
				Judges of Chief Court of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of district Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sind—									
Civil	...	4	14	5 (*a*)	...	3	7 (*b*)	13	
Criminal	...	7	62	5 (*a*)	...	12 (*c*)	17 (*d*)	*147 (*e*)	

(*a*) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(*b*) Includes 1 Joint Judge, 1 Assistant Judge, 1 Small Cause Court Judge, 3 1st class Sub-Judges and 1 Cantonment Magistrate exercising civil powers.

(*c*) These are District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges and 2 Additional Sessions Judges.

(*d*) These are Assistant Collectors, Deputy Collectors and 2 1st class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges' powers.

(*e*) These are all Stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 7 and 8.

(*) Besides these there were 296 Special and Honorary Magistrates.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind .. Civil	28,763	9,845	441	116	12,47,052	*10,73,421	
Sind .. Criminal ..	30,465	402	1,138	290			

* This includes adjustment, contributions, payment to officers of other Provinces and foreign service payments.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 27.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falliug under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	18,319	...	...	...	...	...	682	103	668	833	2,286	20,605
Small Cause Courts ...	6,742	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,742
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	6	10	16
Judicial Commissioner's Court, (District Court Jurisdiction).	376	259	...	11	...	270	97	8	101	237	443	1,089
Total ...	25,443	259	...	11	...	270	780	114	769	1,076	2,739	28,452

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.										
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
										Rs. a.	p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	1,208	7,439	4,035	5,754	948	913	252	56	20,605	99,47,098 13	11
Small Cause Courts	279	2,158	1,349	2,383	573	...	...	...	6,742	11,38,190 6	2
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	1	6	3	2	2	2	16	81,472 12	0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	23	16	77	189	271	344	128	41	1,089	24,66,195 13	7
Total ...	1,510	9,613	5,462	8,332	1,795	1,259	382	99	28,452	1,36,32,957 13	8

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.	Number of suits disposed of excluding transfers.					
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	Pending at the close of the year.
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	26,861	5,664	10,297	1,947	374	2,233	6,346
Small Cause Courts	8,452	508	5,094	848	211	105	1,686
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	47	5	6	...	4	3	29
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3,203	283	391	456	69	284	1,720
Total ...	38,563	6,460	15,788	3,251	658	2,625	9,781
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	38,563	6,460	15,788	3,251	658	2,625	9,781

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 30.—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration	
				Judgment for plantiff	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	486	104	127	65	19	1	170
Small Cause Courts	42	16	13	5	...	..	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	244	58	81	13	5	1	86
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)...	665	273	142	126	7	..	117
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	71	3	8	16	10	...	34
Total ...	1,508	454	371	225	41	2	415
II—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,508	454	371	225	41	2	415

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31.—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals from decrees.						
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	680	37	159	37	46	4	387
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	4	1	1	...	...	...	2
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st Appeals.	176	21	47	13	18	1	76
Do. do. 2nd Appeals.	103	8	26	4	8	...	57
Total ...	963	67	243	54	72	5	522

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32.—(CIVIL).

Showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).						Pending at the close of the year.
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	95	7	30	5	7	1	45
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	9	1	2	...	1	...	5
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	104	24	21	...	16	1	42
Total ...	208	32	53	5	24	2	92

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33.—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the General Results of Trials of Criminal Cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinates Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	1,376	2,557	1,334	956	2	9	256
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	241	520	288	57	...	...	175
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	17,185	30,871	16,676	9,050	619	535	3,991
Benches of Magistrates	13,220	17,814	8,643	7,613	2	61	1,495
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code...	41	97	56	22	...	...	19
Chief Magistrates of Districts	69	228	67	142	2	...	17
Courts of Sessions	358	805	197	409	23	...	176
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	26	34	4	27	...	1	2
Total ...	32,516	52,926	27,265	18,276	648	606	6,131

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No 34—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the General Results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal Cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of Persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applic a-tions rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Died, escaped or trans-ferred to an othe province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	461	270	98	17	64	10	...	2
Court of Sessions, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	1,139	613	170	79	99	11	...	167
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	274	136	76	8	30	1	...	23
Total ...	1,874	1,019	344	104	193	22	...	192
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	70	50	...	...	...	18	...	2
Court of Sessions, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	*300	283	...	...	...	66	5	122
udicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	144	68	19	6	17	27	...	7
Total ...	514	401	19	6	17	111	5	131
GRAND TOTAL ...	2,388	1,420	363	110	210	133	5	323

* NOTE.—176 accused persons were involved in 28 revision applications sought by 37 complainants.

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35 (CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trail.	Undertrial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province or presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	1	1	3	12	...	12	...	...	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	423	356	439	2,329	1,516	281	50	482	
By or relating to public servants	25	21	28	44	16	15	2	11	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	99	95	107	127	42	67	...	18	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	375	312	358	511	250	139	20	102	
Relating to coin and Government stamps.	7	7	8	12	6	4	...	2	
Relating to weights and measures.	16	16	22	25	16	6	...	3	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	204	203	208	297	121	114	1	61	
Relating to religion ...	4	3	6	9	4	5	...	...	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	280	239	299	580	220	201	1	158	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.	1	1	1	1	1	..	...	...	

Hurt	3,755	3,395	3,622	8,883	7,488	525	23	847
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	231	195	208	542	445	38	5	54
Criminal force and assault ...	449	385	418	983	788	82	3	110
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	131	102	113	503	276	55	8	164
Rape	16	14	19	36	17	6	...	13
Unnatural offence	28	28	28	36	6	15	...	15
Against property.								
Theft	2,761	2,556	2,756	3,875	1,412	1,888	54	521
Extortion	13	11	14	32	26	2	...	4
Robbery and decoity ...	108	85	109	244	100	102	4	38
Criminal misappropriation ...	298	186	224	371	254	52	1	64
Criminal breach of trust ...	520	339	400	532	347	66	10	109
Receiving stolen property ...	641	623	686	938	287	411	20	220
Cheating	365	260	284	433	254	76	19	84
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	38	28	34	125	84	...	...	41
Mischief	359	316	344	931	622	108	...	201
Criminal trespass	884	811	876	1,751	1,096	413	5	237
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	22	15	16	21	9	6	...	6
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	11	11	11	11	4	7	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	963	727	840	3,326	2,562	53	38	667
Defamation	62	45	56	150	75	17	...	58
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,163	954	998	2,249	2,001	83	8	157
Offences under special and local laws.	18,263	18,193	19,443	22,365	6,920	13,427	334	1,684
Total ...	32,516	30,533	32,978	52,278	27,265	18,276	606	6,131

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation, or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14..	...	...	...	98	47	20	24
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly..	...	...	...	37	31	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	3,594	3,258	127	884
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	235	1,452	...	6
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	21	8	...	2
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	123	15	...	61
Courts of Sessions	11	16	49	325	64	...	21
Judicial Commissioner's Court, (High Court Jurisdiction).	15	15	2	10	...	...	...
Total ...	26	31	51	4,443	4,875	147	998

No. 36 (CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1923.

Fine of.		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
103	733	8,645 0 0	7,421 12 0	451 0 0	29	61	8	...	
2	29	2,253 0 0	2,054 0 0	300 0 0	6	28	3	...	
2,529	2,710	1,39,846 6 3	1,25,960 12 6	5,816 12 10	382	2,150	1,057	5	
6032	1,397	31,030 0 0	27,174 14 6	556 12 0	66	169	...	...	
1	7	730 0 0	280 0 0	...	...	10	11	...	
...	15	11,000 0 0	83,347 8 0	...	...	7	62	54	
...	65	9,275 0 0	6,084 8 0	514 8 0	16	39	116	154	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
8,667	4,956	2,12,779 6 3	1,77,323 7 0	7,639 0 10	499	2,464	1,257	223	

M. D'SOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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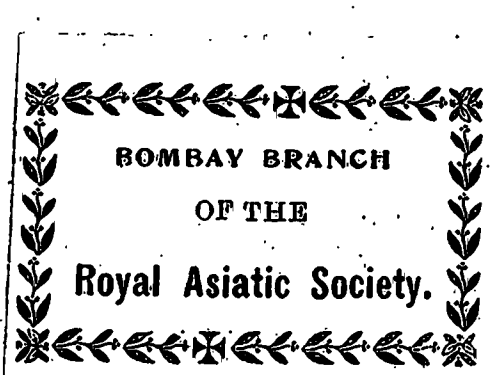
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Karachi, 19th September 1925.

From

B. C. KENNEDY, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

2. The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. C. KENNEDY,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377 according to the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., from 1st January to 28th May 1924 and by Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C S., from 29th May to 31st December 1924.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:—

Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 1st January to 28th May 1924.

Mr. E. Raymond, LL.B., from 1st January to 12th February 1924 and from 24th July to 31st December 1924.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1924.

Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1924.

Mr. C. M. Lobo, LL.B., from 13th February to 23rd July 1924.

Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, I.C.S., from 29th May to 10th September 1924.

Mr. P. E. Percival, C.I.E., Bar.-at-Law, I.C.S., from 11th September to 25th December 1924.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 15th May to 14th June 1924.

5. There were on the 31st December 1924—

3 Sessions Judges.

2 Additional Sessions Judges.

2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges' powers.

6 District Magistrates.

17 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

14 City and Resident Magistrates.

137 Other First, Second and Third Class Magistrates.

Besides the above, there were 258 Special and Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1924—

3 District Judges.

1 Joint Judge.

2 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

13 Second Class Sub-Judges.

7. The annual cold-weather tour for the inspection of the courts in Sind was made in February-March 1925 by Dr. F. X. DeSouza, Civilian Additional Judicial Commissioner, who was deputed by the Judicial Commissioner for the purpose. He inspected the District and Sessions Courts of Hyderabad and Sukkur and the First Class Sub-Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Shikarpur, the City Magistrates' and the First Class Magistrates' Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Shikarpur.

8. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Sub-Courts of Mirpurkhas, Tando Mahomed Khan and Naushahro, the District Judge, Sukkur, those of Rohri, Shikarpur and Jacobabad and the District Judge, Larkana, those of Mehar and Sehwan.

9. The temporary appointment of a fifth Judge in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, which was created by Government with effect from the 21st June 1923 has been sanctioned for a further period upto the 20th June 1926, under Home Department No. 7328-A, dated 17th June 1925.

10. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working satisfactorily in the Province.

11. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 10,66,505 and the total charges Rs. 13,60,009 during the year under report, disclosing a deficit of Rs. 2,93,504 in the receipts over charges.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

12. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review shows a decrease as compared with the preceding year, the figures being—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offences returned as true.
1923	32,516	30,533
1924	31,014	29,563
	−1,502	−970

13. There was a corresponding decrease in the number of cases brought to trial from 32,978 to 32,373 and in the number of persons from 52,278 to 52,229. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 6,131 to 6,144. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, was 52,484.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1923:—

Year.	Total No. of persons under trial.	Acquited or discharged.	Convicted.
1923	52,926	27,265	18,276
1924	52,484	25,975	19,683
	−442	−1,290	+1,407

14. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1924 as contrasted with those in 1923:—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1923 ...	31	51	4,443	13,623	147	964
1924 ...	37	46	3,674	15,459	124	709

The fines in 1924 amounted to Rs. 1,87,178-2-0 as against Rs. 2,12,779-6-3 in 1923 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1924 amounted to Rs. 15,181-6-0 as against Rs. 7,639-0-10 in 1923.

15. Particulars as to the result of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table:—

District.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi ...	18,987	6,287	12,246	3	451
Hyderabad ...	6,206	3,017	2,118	273	798
Sukkur ...	7,988	4,654	2,076	15	1,243
Larkana ...	10,196	6,712	1,433	24	2,027
Thar Parkar ...	2,376	1,509	372	65	430
Nawabshah ...	4,076	2,499	845	44	688
Upper Sind Frontier.	2,369	1,295	576	3	495
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.	31	2	17	...	12
Total ...	52,229	25,975	19,683	427	6,144

16. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last three years :—

District.	1922.				1923.				1924.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi ...	55	55	205	217	44	44	218	213	39	40	286	288
Hyderabad ...	135	139	448	453	123	110	392	340	136	124	408	442
Sukkur ...	73	88	131	130	89	72	94	93	77	74	117	96
Larkana ...	38	35	76	73	74	59	77	71	63	73	67	73

17. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 275 to 303 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime, specially in Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Larkana, Sukkur and Upper Sind Frontier, arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women.

18. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the State.

(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

(3) Offences relating to coins.

(4) Offences relating to religion.

(5) Offences affecting life.

(6) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(7) Rape.

(8) Unnatural offence.

(9) Extortion.

(10) Robbery and dacoity.

(11) Criminal misappropriation.

(12) Mischief.

(13) Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(14) Defamation.

There was a decrease in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Offences against the public tranquility.

(2) Offences by or relating to public servants.

(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(4) Offences relating to weights and measures.

(5) Hurt.

(6) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(7) Criminal force and assault.

(8) Theft.

(9) Criminal breach of trust.

(10) Receiving of stolen property.

(11) Cheating.

(12) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(13) Criminal trespass.

(14) Criminal breach of contracts of service.

(15) Offences relating to marriage.

(16) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

(17) Offences under special and local laws.

(18) Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

19. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 1794, that is, 112 more than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 1,317 cases and were reversed or varied in 452. The sentences were maintained intact in 73·41 per cent. of appeals against 81·03 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1)	Magistrates' Courts	200
(2)	Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court).	1,301
(3)	Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction).	293

The Criminal Appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner and the Sessions Courts show an increase of 72 and 294, respectively, and those in the Courts of the Magistrates show a decrease of 252.

20. During the year under report, cases of 196 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 239 and the District Magistrates 63. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 36 persons were reversed, of 3 persons altered and of 141 persons were otherwise disposed of.

21. The following table shows the Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court

Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1923 and the arrears at the end of the year:—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1922	1923.		Arrears on 31st December 1923	1924.		Arrears on 31st December 1924.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of	
1	Criminal appeals ...	12	138	141	9	198	178	29
2	Confirmation cases ...	5	12	15	2	28	19	11
3	Reported cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	5	41	41	5	53	48	10
4	Criminal Revision Applications.	13	95	95	13	131	119	25
5	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	19	19	.	13	13	...
6	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code .	6	26	31	1	34	30	5

The cases of 31 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 13 the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 2 the conviction and sentence was reversed; in the case of 4 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life and the cases of 12 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

22. The total number of Civil Suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 28,144 as compared with 28,452 in 1923. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1923.	1924.
Hyderabad	5	9
Sukkur	11	10
Larkana	...	3
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,089	1,155

23. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the province during the years 1923 and 1924. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 3·16 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1923 was 2·74 :—

Nature.	1923.	1924
Money and moveable property ...	25,443	24,889
Mortgage	769	828
Immoveable property	780	892

24. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,22,22,845-10-10½ compared with Rs. 1,36,32,957-13-8 in 1923.

25. The total number of suits disposed of was 29,874 as against 28,782 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1924 as compared with the year 1923 :—

Manner of disposal.	1923.	1924.
Without trial	6,460	6,169
By Arbitration	2,625	2,700
Contested	3,909	4,430
Without Contest	15,788	16,575

26. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 8,644.

27. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 391·21 and 318·69 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 474·87 and 522·07 days, respectively, in 1923.

28. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 1,511 as against 1,508 in 1923. The number disposed of was 1,094 as against 1,093 in 1923.

29. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts including the Court of the Judical Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) was 658 as against 684 in 1923. Of these 257 were disposed of as compard with 295 in 1923. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1923.	1924.
Hyderabad	109	122
Sukkur	153	85
Larkana	31	48
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	2

30. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 539·26 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) 193 and (High Court Jurisdiction) 540·67. The corresponding figures for the year 1923 were 461·59, 252·1 and 671·18.

31. There were in all 21,343 applications for execution before the Civil Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind as against 21,705 in 1923. Of these 17,960 were disposed of as against 18,516 in 1923. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 5,38,571-3-8 as compared with Rs. 5,30,625-4-7 in the year 1923. Moveable property was sold in 151 cases as agaisnt 130 cases in 1923, and attached but subsequently released in 243 as against 228 in 1923.

32. 233 Insolvency petitions were presented during the year Out of 365 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 168 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 197. The number of insolvents discharged was 62 as against 27 in 1923. The orders of adjudication in respect of 10 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court has fallen from 235 to 221.

33. There were no references made under section 27 nor any appeals filed under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review.

34. The following table shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1923 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1922.	1923.		Arrears on 31st December 1923.	1924.		Arrears on 31st December 1924.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals ...	126	50	100	76	65	63	78
II Appeals ..	51	52	46	57	35	40	52
Miscellaneous appeals .	56	48	62	42	36	44	34
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	1	...	1	...	2	2	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	6	28	32	2	24	18	8
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	24	45	52	17	47	34	30
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	5	7	5	7	4	6	5
Applications under Order XLVI, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	1	..	1	...	...	...	...
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	4	2	2	5	1	5	1
Applications uder Act X of 1865.	5	9	12	2	8	9	1
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	39	42	40	41	36	48	29
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	1	17	1	17	4	20	1
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	..	2	2	..	1	1	...

GENERAL.

35. There has been a slight decrease both in Criminal and Civil work in the year under report which however does not call for any special comment.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar.

STATEMENT No. 25—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1924.

Name of Province.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Number of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Remarks.
				Judges of Chief Court of Province.	Judges of other Courts Superior to Chief District Courts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of district Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sind—									
Civil	...	4	14	4 (*a*)	...	3	8 (*b*)	13	
Criminal	...	7	62	4 (*a*)	...	11 (*c*)	19 (*d*)	(*) 137 (*e*)	

(*a*) Includes the Judicial Commissioner. The number of Judges during the year was 5, but one handed over charge on 25th December 1924 and his successor did not arrive till 21st January 1925.

(*b*) Includes 1 Joint Judge, 2 Assistant Judges, 1 Small Cause Court Judge, 4 First Class Sub-Judges.

(*c*) These are District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges and 2 Additional Sessions Judges. The normal number of District Magistrates including the Deputy Commissioner is 7.

(*d*) These are Assistant Collectors, Deputy Collectors and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges' powers.

(*e*) These are all Stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 7 and 8.

(*) Besides these there were 258 Special and Honorary Magistrates.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 26—(Civil and Criminal).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sind—					Rs.	Rs.	
Civil	29,874	19,163	360	121	10,66,505	*13,60,009	
Criminal	30,180	602	1,892	468			

* This includes adjustment, contributions, payment to officers of other provinces and foreign service payments.

M. DeSOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	17,916	...	...	...	...	...	784	49	715	933	2,481	20,397
Small Cause Courts ..	6,570	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,570
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	8	...	...	...	...	.	6	3	1	4	14	22
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	395	274	...	12	..	286	102	11	112	249	474	1,155
Total ...	24,889	274	...	12	...	286	892	63	828	1,186	2,969	28,144

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 28—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different courts.									Total value of suits.
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	1,264	7,436	3,975	5,542	928	884	294	74	20,397	88,51,096 5 9½
Small Cause Courts	419	2,104	1,440	2,060	547	...	...	...	6,570	10,54,934 3 7
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	1	..	5	6	5	1	3	22	29,321 8 0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	24	14	80	197	280	361	141	58	1,155	22,87,493 9 6
Total ...	1 708	9,555	5,495	7,804	1,761	1,250	436	135	28,144	1,22,22,845 10 10½

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT NO. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.	Number of suits disposed of, excluding transfers.					
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	Pending at the close of the year.
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	27,365	5,425	11,325	2,490	454	2,242	5,429
Small Cause Courts	8,234	425	4,811	819	205	152	1,822
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	44	2	1	1	3	1	36
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	2.875	317	438	437	21	305	1,357
Total ...	8,518	6,169	16.575	3,747	683	2,700	8,644
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	..	...	...	...	..	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	(a) 38.518	6,169	16.575	3,747	683	2,700	8,644

(a) The number of cases pending at the close of the last year was 9,759. If this be deducted from the total in column 2, the balance is 28,759 instead of 28,144. This is due to there being 615 revived suits.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trail of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I. CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	494	103	143	58	25	...	165
Small Cause Courts	45	12	13	3	4	..	13
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	313	56	77	10	14	1	155
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)..	592	301	123	93	6	..	69
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	67	20	8	17	7	...	15
Total ...	1,511	492	364	181	56	1	417
II. REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	..	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,511	492	364	181	56	1	417

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Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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STATMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals from decrees.						
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	651	47	123	29	48	8	396
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	7	1	1	...	...	...	5
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	141	13	29	8	10	3	78
Do. do. ...	92	9	21	4	6	..	52
Total ...	891	70	174	41	64	11	351

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals disposed of (Excluding transfers).						Pending at the close of the year.
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	112	23	32	2	10	...	45
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	12	...	7	...	2	1	2
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	78	18	17	4	4	1	34
Total ...	202	41	56	6	16	2	81

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the General Results of Trials of Criminal Cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were diposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	2,704	3,517	1,626	1,589	...	5	297
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	6,526	7,603	3,431	3,765	43	4	360
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	10,462	21,834	12,584	5,072	197	226	3,755
Benches of Magistrates	10,614	17,775	7,785	8,432	...	187	1,371
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code...	284	703	238	338	...	3	124
Chief Magistrates of Districts	35	108	12	96	...	...	...
Courts of Session	389	913	297	374	15	2	225
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	31	2	17	...	...	12
Total ...	31,014	52,484	25,975	19,683	255	427	6,144

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the General Results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal Cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of Persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	209	97	24	11	64	4	...	9
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	1,433	655	282	134	210	19	1	132
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	346	145	114	16	17	1	...	53
Total ...	1,988	897	420	161	291	24	1	194
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	64	58	...	...	...	5	..	1
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	345	252	...	...	...	118	...	106
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	235	121	44	3	36	18	...	39
Total ...	644	431	44	3	36	141	...	146
GRAND TOTAL ...	*2,632	1,328	464	164	327	165	1	340

* In applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 157 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35 (CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Undertrial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province or presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	2	2	2	3	...	1	...	2	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	412	349	424	2,426	1,509	381	32	504	
By or relating to public servants	13	13	18	27	12	10	...	5	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	136	135	152	179	57	86	2	34	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	287	268	342	462	186	147	24	105	
Relating to coin	12	12	14	21	8	13	...	...	
Relating to Government stamps.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Relating to weights and measures.	15	15	16	18	5	12	...	1	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	153	145	188	268	113	123	2	30	
Relating to religion ...	5	5	5	18	9	1	...	8	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	303	303	397	729	231	210	9	279	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.	1	1	2	3	2	1	...	...	

Hurt	3,560	3,216	3,464	9,030	7,582	568	31	849
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	181	151	173	499	365	32	2	100
Criminal force and assault ...	318	295	327	853	647	64	...	142
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	160	115	151	555	365	20	4	166
Rape	27	27	33	56	38	10	1	7
Unnatural offence	46	46	51	67	23	19	9	16
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	1,628	1,589	1,729	2,253	579	1,347	7	320
Cattle theft	849	798	952	1,494	543	619	42	290
Extortion	16	15	17	25	14	5	...	6
Robbery and dacoity ...	146	127	146	387	123	246	11	107
Criminal misappropriation ...	338	263	290	509	383	28	5	93
Criminal breach of trust ...	451	292	358	463	279	70	8	106
Receiving stolen property ...	413	404	520	807	423	259	12	113
Cheating	340	269	314	480	347	57	5	71
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	19	17	27	74	48	8	...	18
Mischief	405	361	410	1,124	853	100	9	162
Criminal trespass	751	679	759	1,699	1,169	210	34	286
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	29	25	30	42	16	10	3	13
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	3	3	3	3	3	...	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	759	650	807	3,163	2,408	62	42	651
Defamation	85	68	78	255	194	24	...	37
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,137	930	992	2,378	2,106	92	...	180
Offences under special and local laws.	18,014	17,975	19,182	21,859	5,335	14,948	133	1,443
Total ...	31,014	29,563	32,373	52,229	25,975	19,683	427	6,144

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14.	...	...	...	202	1,357	24	8
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	33	24	...	6
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	2,804	5,344	96	532
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	231	8,693	...	9
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	41	...	...	119
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	54	8	...	34
Courts of Session	8	24	42	309	33	4	1
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	13	13	4	...	...	...	...
Total ..	21	37	46	3,674	15,459	124	709

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 month.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
1,144	231	15,988 8 0	13,239 8 0	887 0 0	20	171	11	...	
2	22	3,029 0 0	2,559 0 0	655 0 0	4	28	1	...	
1,821	3,505	1,21,417 6 0	97,498 3 1	10,552 2 0	356	1,515	933	...	
8,334	359	33,794 4 0	30,463 9 0	912 4 0	34	196	1	...	
...	...	...	...	...	..	27	14	...	
..	8	3,050 0 0	5,100 0 0	...	...	...	12	42	
4	29	9,899 0 0	6,029 0 0	2,175 0 0	3	25	121	160	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
11,305	4,154	1,87,178 2 0	1,54,889 4 1	15,181 6 0	417	1,962	1,093	202	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge,	124	442	22	4	18	13	343
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	148	59	89	70	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	825	500	325	327	...
Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, Small Causes.	...	...	1,048	837	211	141	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	731	545	186	253	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	213	184	29	35	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Nawabshah, Regular.	...	...	1,087	725	362	416	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Nawabshah, Small Causes.	...	...	354	275	79	72	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,576	1,267	309	307	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	535	470	65	55	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	1,537	1,153	384	663	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	404	371	33	139	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Regular.	...	...	233	207	26	151	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Small Causes.	...	...	219	200	19	77	...
Total ...	124	442	8,932	6,797	2,135	2,719	343
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	28	135	16	1	14	13	203
Court of Joint Judge	38	19	...	1	...	...	...
Court of Assistant Judge ...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	127	86	41	150	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Regular	...	...	564	349	215	197	...
Subordinnte Court, Sukkur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,154	979	175	148	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	209	98	111	...	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur Regular.	...	...	1,853	1,416	437	619	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,253	1,113	140	150	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	1,762	1,375	387	446	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	885	827	58	124	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	960	761	199	247	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	464	432	32	34	...
Total ...	74	154	9,247	7,438	1,809	2,128	203

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1924.

WORK.							
Appeals.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
122	221	215	10	72	11	111	
...	...	...	42	24	37	...	
...	...	...	446	37	102	...	
...	...	...	484	4	6	...	
...	...	...	249	5	13	...	
...	...	...	111	...	...	...	
...	...	...	569	10	64	...	
...	...	...	144	...	4	...	
...	...	...	566	24	9	...	
...	...	...	165	...	...	...	
...	...	...	510	14	62	...	
...	...	...	180	2	...	...	
...	...	...	68	3	7	...	
...	...	...	38	...	1	...	
122	221	215	3,582	195	316	111	
32	118	121	11	4	11	44	
33	...	...	2	1	...	...	
20	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	37	2	20	...	
...	...	...	217	7	41	...	
...	...	...	444	2	1	...	
...	...	...	57	1	...	...	
...	...	...	973	34	110	...	
...	...	...	511	...	2	...	
...	...	...	881	2	48	...	
...	...	...	521	...	...	...	
...	...	...	401	4	14	...	
...	...	...	263	1	...	...	
85	118	121	4,318	58	247	44	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total numbr of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	73	73	6	2	4	3	105
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	76	48	28	32	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	2,896	2,350	546	525	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,030	1,801	229	203	...
Subordinate Court, Larkana, Small Causes.	...	...	766	690	76	113	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	515	472	43	34	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,020	794	226	205	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	..	...	513	468	45	59	...
Total ...	73	73	7,822	6,625	1,197	1,174	105
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	40	288	2,875	1,518	1,357	1,720	7
Court of Small Causes	...	...	8,234	6,412	1 822	1,664	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular...	...	...	832	615	217	258	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	576	469	107	96	...
Total ...	40	288	12,517	9,014	3,503	3,738	7
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	124	442	8,932	6,797	2,135	2,719	343
Sukkur	74	154	9,247	7,438	1,809	2,128	203
Larkana	73	73	7,822	6,625	1,197	1,174	105
Karachi	40	288	12,517	9,014	3,503	3,738	7
Total ...	311	957	38,518	29,874	8,644	9,759	658
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	233
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	233

(a) In addition the following miscellaneous matters were disposed of :—

44 Miscellaneous Appeals.

Applications—

34 Under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.
2 Under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.
18 Under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.
6 Under section 45, Rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.
5 Under section 47, Rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.
20 Under Act VII of 1913.
1 Under Act IV of 1869.
1 Under Bombay Act XII of 1866.
48 Under Act IX of 1887.
9 Under Act X of 1865

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in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1924—(*concld.*).

WORK.							
Appeals.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
48	57	65	2	22	2	29	
...	...	...	22	11	9	...	
...	...	...	1,117	26	38	...	
...	...	...	807	16	2	...	
...	...	...	428	4	2	...	
...	...	...	190	...	...	...	
...	...	...	682	9	8	...	
...	...	...	304	...	...	...	
48	57	65	3,552	88	61	29	
2	5	2	1,209	99	922	2	
...	...	...	4,624	32	127	...	
...	...	...	350	3	11	...	
...	...	...	325	1	2	...	
2	5	2	6,508	135	1,062	2	
122	221	215	3,582	195	316	111	
85	118	121	4,318	58	247	44	
48	57	65	3,552	88	61	29	
2	5	2	6,508	135	1,062	2	
257	401	403	17,960	476	1,686	186	
103	130	133	...	...	...	54	
103 (*a*)	130	133	...	...	...	54	

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From

C. A. KINCAID, ESQUIRE, C. V. O., I. C. S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

2. The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C. A. KINCAID,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377 according to the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 1st January to 24th October 1925 and by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., from 25th October to 31st December 1925.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 25th October to 31st December 1925.

Mr. E. Raymond, LL.B., from 1st January to 11th October 1925.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar-at-law, from 1st January to 13th June 1925.

Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1925.

Dr. F. X. DeSouza, M.A., LL.D., Bar-at-law, I.C.S., from 21st January to 22nd August 1925.

Mr. Faiz. B. Tyabji, Bar-at-law, from 14th June to 31st December 1925.

Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 28th August to 24th October 1925.

Mr. C. M. Lobo, L L.B., from 12th October to 31st December 1925.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 14th May to 13th June 1925.

5. There were on the 31st December 1925 :—

3 Sessions Judges.
4 Additional Sessions Judges.
7 District Magistrates.
20 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.
14 City and Resident Magistrates.
238 Other First, Second and Third Class Magistrates, of whom 109 were Special and Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 46 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 258 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1925:—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

3 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

12 Second Class Sub-Judges.

7. The annual cold-weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in January — March 1926 by the Judicial Commissioner. He inspected the District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Subordinate Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana; the Second Class Subordinate Courts of Tatta, Mirpurkhas, Tando Mahomed Khan, Shahdadpur, Sehwan and Rohri; the City Magistrates' Courts of Hyderabad and Sukkur; the Court of the Resident Magistrate, Larkana; the First Class Magistrates' Courts of Tatta, Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Tando Mahomed Khan, Sehwan and Larkana; and the Second Class Magistrates' Courts of Shahdadpur and Sukkur.

8. The District Judge, Larkana, inspected the First Class Sub-Court, Larkana, and the Second Class Sub-Courts of Mehar and Sehwan.

9. The temporary appointment of a fifth Judge in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, which was created by Government with effect from the 21st June 1923 has been sanctioned for a further period upto the 20th June 1927, under Home Department No. 7328-A., dated 29th May 1926.

10. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working satisfactorily in the Province.

11. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 11,13,016 and the total charges Rs. 20,01,175 during the year under report, disclosing a deficit of Rs. 8,88,159.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

12. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review shows an increase as compared with the preceding year, the figures being :—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offences returned as true.
1924	31,014	29,563
1925	32,014	30,227
	+1,000	+664

13. There was a decrease in the number of cases brought to trial from 32,373 to 32,277 and in the number of persons from 52,229 to 52,090. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 6,144 to 6,684. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, was 52,353.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1924:—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1924	52,484	25,975	19,683
1925	52,353	23,764	20,901
	−131	−2,211	+1,218

14. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1925 as contrasted with those in 1924 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1924 ...	37	46	3,674	15,459	124	709
1925 ...	23	44	4,095	15,828	121	1,099

The fines in 1925 amounted to Rs. 2,62,171-6-0 as against Rs. 1,87,178-2-0 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1925 amounted to Rs. 11,068-14-0 as against Rs. 15,181-6-0 in 1924.

15. Particulars as to the results of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table :—

District.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	18,667	5,302	12,547	2	816
Hyderabad	5,631	2,709	1,821	471	630
Sukkur	7,767	4,055	2,520	13	1,179
Larkana	10,008	6,200	1,664	14	2,130
Nawabshah	4,313	2,353	881	53	1,926
Thar Parkar	2,511	1,226	559	184	542
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,158	1,914	881	4	359
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.	35	5	28	...	2
Total ...	52,090	23,764	20,901	741	6,684

16. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last three years :—

District.	1923.				1924.				1925.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi ...	44	44	218	213	39	40	286	288	42	47	290	282
Hyderabad ...	123	110	392	340	136	124	408	442	127	139	421	430
Sukkur	89	72	94	93	77	74	117	96	90	105	253	255
Larkana ...	74	59	77	71	63	73	67	73	63	58	165	150

17. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 303 to 272 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime, specially in Karachi, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar and Upper Sind Frontier, arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women.

18. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) By or relating to public servants.

(2) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(3) Relating to Government stamps.

(4) Hurt.

(5) Criminal force and assault.

(6) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(7) Unnatural offence.

(8) Theft ordinary.

(9) Cattle-theft.

(10) Receiving stolen property.

(11) Cheating.

(12) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(13) Mischief.

(14) Criminal breach of contracts of service.

(15) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

(16) Offences under special and local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences under the following heads :—

(1) Against the state.

(2) Against the public tranquility.

(3) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

(4) Relating to coin.

(5) Relating to weights and measures.

(6) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(7) Relating to religion.

(8) Affecting life.

(9) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(10) Extortion.

(11) Robbery and dacoity.

(12) Criminal misappropriation.

(13) Criminal breach of trust.

(14) Criminal trespass.

(15) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(16) Relating to marriage.

(17) Defamation.

19. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,313, that is, 519 more than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 1,699 cases and were reversed or varied in 573. The sentences were maintained intact in 73·45 per cent. of appeals against 73·41 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed:—

(1) Magistrates' Courts.	270
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court).	1,726
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction)	317

The Criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, the Sessions Courts and the Courts of the Magistrates show an increase of 6, 493 and 74, respectively.

20. During the year under report, cases of 232 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 170 and the District Magistrates 59. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 30 persons were reversed, of 9 persons altered and of 150 persons were otherwise disposed of.

21. The following table shows the Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Cour

Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1924 and the Arrears at the end of the year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1923	1924.		Arrears on 31st December 1924.	1925.		Arrears on 31st December 1925.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Criminal appeals ...	9	198	178	29	197	200	26
2	Confirmation cases ...	2	28	19	11	20	29	2
3	Reported cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	5	53	48	10	36	44	2
4	Criminal Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
5	Criminal Revision Applications.	13	131	119	25	168	162	31
6	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	13	13	...	27	26	1
7	Criminal Trasfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	34	30	5	98	86	17

The cases of 35 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 23, the sentence of death was confirmed ; in the case of 5 the conviction and sentence was reversed ; in the case of 4 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life ; in the case of 1 the sentence was reduced to rigorous imprisonment for five years and the cases of 2 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

22. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 28,812 as compared with 28,144 in 1924. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1924.	1925
Hyderabad	9	10
Sukkur	10	13
Larkana	3	1
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,155	1,013

23. The following table shows the nature of the suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1924 and 1925. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 3·1 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1924 was 3·16 :—

Nature.	1924.	1925.
Money and moveable property ...	24,889	25,400
Mortgage	828	933
Immoveable property	892	895

24. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,83,81,658-9-10½ compared with Rs. 1,22,22,845-10-10½ in 1924.

25. The total number of suits disposed of was 30,359 as against 29,874 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1925 as compared with the year 1924 :—

Manner of disposal.	1924.	1925.
Without trial	6,169	6,394
By arbitration	2,700	2,456
Contested	4,430	5,072
Without contest	16,575	16,437

26. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 7,598.

27. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 320·80 and 258·64 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 391·21 and 318·69 days, respectively, in 1924.

28. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 1,943 as against 1,511 in 1924. The number disposed of was 1,350 as against 1094 in 1924.

29. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) was 784 as against 658 in 1924. Of these 314 were disposed of as compared with 257 in 1924. The number of Civil

Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1924.	1925.
Hyderabad	122	127
Sukkur	85	137
Larkana	48	37
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	13

30. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 535·25 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) 217·77 and (High Court Jurisdiction) 526·82. The corresponding figures for the year 1924 were 539·26, 193 and 540·67.

31. There were in all 23,923 applications for execution before the Civil Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind as against 21,343 in 1924. Of these 20,107 were disposed of as against 17,960 in 1924. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 6,23,221-1-8 as compared with Rs. 5,38,571-3-8 in the year 1924. Moveable property was sold in 151 cases as against the same number in 1924, and attached but subsequently released in 232 as against 243 in 1924.

32. 200 Insolvency petitions were presented during the year. Out of 397 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 307 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 90. The number of insolvents discharged was 116 as against 62 in 1924. The orders of adjudication in respect of 14 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court has risen from 221 to 299.

33. There were no references made under section 27 or any appeals filed under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review.

34. The following table shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1924 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1923.	1924.		Arrears on 31st December 1924	1925.		Arrears on 31st December 1925.
		Filed.	Disposed of		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals ...	76	65	63	78	184	82	180
II Appeals ...	57	35	40	52	38	37	53
Miscellaneous Appeals.	42	36	44	34	61	47	48
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	...	2	2	...	2	2	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	2	24	18	8	13	16	5
Application under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	17	47	34	30	137	91	76
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	7	4	6	5	12	13	4
Applications under Order XLVI, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	3	2	1
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	5	1	5	1	4	3	2
Applications under Act X of 1865.	2	8	9	1	12	13	
Applications under Act VI of 1869.	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	41	36	48	29	...	29	...
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	17	4	20	1	...	1	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827, and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	...	1	1	...	...	...	...

GENERAL.

35. There has been a slight increase both in Criminal and Civil work in the year under report which however does not call for any comment.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar.

STATEMENT NO. 25. (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Origina Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1925.

Name of Province.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Number of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Remarks.
				Judges of Chief Courts of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of district Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sind—									
Civil	...	4	14	5 (*a*)	...	3	10 (*b*)	12	
Criminal	...	7	62	5 (*a*)	...	14 (*c*)	20 (*d*)	(*) 143 (*e*)	

(*a*) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(*b*) Includes 4 Assistant Judges, 2 Small Cause Court Judges, 4 First Class Sub-Judges.

(*c*) These are District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges and 4 Additional Sessions Judges.

(*d*) These are Assistant Collectors and Deputy Collectors.

(*e*) These are all Stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 7 and 8.

(*) Besides these there were 109 Special and Honorary Magistrates and 46 Benches of Magistrates constituted from among 258 Honorary Magistrates.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 26. (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	30,359	21,764	433	167	11,13,016	*20,01,175	
Criminal	29,516	643	2,368	379			

* This includes adjustment contributions, payment to Officers of other Provinces and foreign service payments.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the rent law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	18,591	...	...	...	...	...	854	115	897	963	2,829	21,420
Small Cause Courts ...	6,355	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	6,355
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	10	..	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	6	14	24
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	444	392	...	14	...	406	34	3	35	91	163	1,013
Total ...	25,400	392	...	14	...	406	895	118	933	1,060	3,006	28,812

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1 000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Courts of Subordinate Judges	1,467	7,775	4,116	5,747	975	910	340	90	21,420	1,38,87,368 7 9½
Small Cause Courts	306	2,069	1,287	2,226	467	...	...	...	6,355	8,81,804 1 9
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	1	2	10	2	...	4	5	24	1,37,776 10 8
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	15	100	76	178	35	300	101	208	1,013	34,74,709 5 8
Total ...	1,788	9,945	5,481	8,161	1,479	1,210	445	303	28,812	1,83,81,658 9 10½

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.	Number of suits disposed of, excluding transfers.					
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	Pending at the close of the year.
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendent.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1. CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	27,354	5,750	10,936	2,728	514	2,104	5,322
Small Cause Courts	8,177	460	5,105	1,037	223	148	1,204
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	56	3	...	3	7	...	43
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	2,370	181	396	467	93	204	1,029
Total ...	37,957	6,394	16,437	4,235	837	2,456	7,598
II. REVENUE COURTS							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	..		...	..	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	(a) 37,957	6,394	16,437	4,235	837	2,456	7,598

(a) The number of cases pending at the close of the last year was 8,644. If this be deducted from the total in column 2, the balance is 29,313 instead of 28 812. This is due to there being 501 revived suits.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT NO. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I. CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	570	95	177	105	24	3	166
Small Cause Courts	58	19	12	5	8	..	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	561	113	99	15	22	.	312
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	580	306	118	83	9	1	63
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	174	84	9	32	11	..	38
Total ...	1,943	617	415	240	74	4	593
II. REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bomay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ..	1,943	617	415	240	74	4	593

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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STATEMENT No. 31 (CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals from Decrees.						
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers):					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	767	37	166	27	65	6	466
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	17	4	9	...	...	...	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). — 1st Appeals.	262	20	33	9	18	2	180
Do. do. ... 2nd Appeals.	90	23	7	3	4	...	53
Total ...	1,136	84	215	39	87	8	703

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	187	21	73	3	21	...	69
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	95	18	22	3	3	1	48
Total ...	284	41	95	6	24	1	117

M. DESOUZA,

Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT NO. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the General Results of Trials of Criminal Cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	2,468	4,458	2,449	1,691	...	8	321
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	14,964	26,239	12,641	8,627	247	562	4,151
Benches of Magistrates	13,811	19,577	7,701	9,717	...	163	1,996
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	224	714	494	113	...	...	107
Chief Magistrates of Districts	113	414	95	318	...	1	...
Courts of Session	434	916	379	407	16	7	107
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	35	5	28	...	...	2
Total ...	32,014	52,353	23,764	20,901	263	741	6,684

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the General Results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal Cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of Persons.							Pending trial.
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed	Otherwise disposed of.	Died escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	283	97	75	30	66	2	...	13
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction.)	1,926	941	331	201	215	36	2	200
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	352	135	120	20	41	1	...	35
Total ..	2,561	1,173	526	251	322	39	2	248
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	61	22	...	...	...	35	2	2
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	234	197	...	...	...	78	...	64
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	271	113	59	9	30	37	..	39
Total ...	566	332	59	9	30	150	2	105
GRAND TOTAL ...	*3,127	1,505	585	260	352	189	4	353

* In applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 121 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Undertrial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	2	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	361	330	380	2,107	1,267	261	22	557	
By or relating to public servants	23	18	23	47	14	13	...	20	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	118	115	128	172	62	87	4	19	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	297	272	326	482	171	151	19	141	
Relating to coin	3	3	3	6	...	3	...	3	
Relating to Government stamps.	3	3	3	3	1	2	...	...	
Relating to weights and measures.	4	4	4	4	2	2	...	...	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	149	129	144	192	74	94	7	17	
Relating to religion ...	...	...	1	8	8	...	...	...	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	272	269	367	782	351	238	11	182	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	

Hurt	3,571	3,103	3,329	8,290	6,687	706	43	854
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	170	147	179	583	466	24	5	88
Criminal force and assault ...	393	339	365	849	658	83	4	104
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	180	148	185	635	285	52	21	277
Rape	27	26	30	53	28	20	...	5
Unnatural offence	47	43	53	77	33	32	...	12
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	1,686	1,367	1,484	2,197	588	1,160	18	431
Cattle-theft	925	881	985	1,619	536	727	48	308
Extortion	11	10	14	21	12	4	1	4
Robbery and dacoity ...	141	120	143	394	166	117	13	98
Criminal misappropriation ...	321	261	293	560	437	40	8	75
Criminal breach of trust ...	366	240	284	375	215	83	13	64
Receiving stolen property ...	500	485	551	777	256	342	13	166
Cheating	439	341	370	578	377	60	4	137
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	24	20	28	60	31	7	...	22
Mischief	418	382	413	1,239	871	113	14	241
Criminal tresspass	744	674	744	1,674	1,163	229	29	253
Relating to documents and to trade or property. marks.	21	17	23	39	18	14	..	7
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	15	10	10	45	44	1	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	720	629	761	2,956	2,204	54	48	650
Defamation	56	44	62	149	131	8	...	10
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,207	1,038	1,079	2,706	2,101	340	6	259
Offences under special and local laws.	18,801	18,758	19,511	22,408	4,507	15,834	390	1,677
Total ...	32,014	30,227	32,277	52,090	23,764	20,901	741	6,684

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14.	...	...	...	168	1,218	1	11
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	108	146	...	1
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	2,657	5,027	115	883
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	524	9,299	...	12
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	220	21	5	15
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	75	71	...	173
Courts of Session	....	...	40	342	46	...	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	23	23	4	1	...	...	...
Total ...	23	23	44	4,095	15,828	121	1,099

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
1,047	171	17,486 2 0	15,915 8 0	519- 0 0	16	100	43	...	
97	49	3,328 0 0	2,453 0	...	25	62	21	...	
3,009	2,017	1,62,192 12 0	1,28,571 5 9	8,360 0 0	317	1,587	762	...	
8,431	868	39,140 8 0	35,941 12 0	557 0 0	181	343	...	...	
15	6	520 0 0	270 0 0	...	..	8	212	...	
..	71	25,330 0 0	21,933 0 0	...	...	4	20	52	
3	44	14,174 0 0	8,325 2 9	1,832 14 0	43	47	56	225	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	...	
12,602	3,226	2,62,171 6 0	2,13,409 12 6	11,068 14 0	552	2,151	1,105	277	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	139	430	28	9	19	18	368
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	178	91	87	89	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	845	576	269	325	...
Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, Small causes.	...	...	1,258	1,194	94	211	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	608	459	149	186	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	271	233	38	29	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Nawabshah. Regular.	...	...	1,179	852	327	362	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Nawabshah, Small Causes.	...	...	466	392	74	79	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,327	1,033	294	309	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes	...	...	474	429	45	65	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	1,258	976	276	384	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	384	343	41	33	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Regular.	...	...	53	1	52	26	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Small Causes.	...	...	54	3	51	19	...
Total ...	139	430	8,407	6 591	1,816	2,135	368
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	56	308	23	3	20	14	299
Court of Assistant Judge ...	49	31	...	...	...	...	
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	100	51	49	41	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Regular	...	...	670	413	257	215	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,232	1,096	136	175	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	267	149	118	111	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur Regular.	...	...	1,588	1,086	502	437	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,152	996	156	140	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri. Regular..	...	...	2,149	1,757	392	387	...
Subordinate Court. Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	978	901	77	58	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	966	707	259	199	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	577	532	45	32	...
Total ...	105	839	9,702	7,691	2,011	1,809	299

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1925.

WORK.							
Appeals.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report..	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
127	241	221	20	81	10	116	
...	...	...	81	53	31	...	
...	...	...	583	45	72	...	
...	...	...	766	11	...	...	
...	...	...	230	11	16	...	
...	...	...	102	...	...	...	
...	...	...	679	8	21	...	
...	...	...	261	...	...	...	
...	...	...	542	10	19	...	
...	...	...	187	...	1	...	
...	...	...	666	11	20	...	
...	...	...	190	...	...	...	
...	...	...	16	...	25	...	
...	...	...	19	...	17	...	
127	241	221	4,342	239	232	116	
137	162	118	12	8	11	38	
			3	13	...	...	
...	...	...	44	5	17	...	
...	...	...	297	3	32	...	
...	...	...	552	1	...	...	
...	...	...	102	46	47	...	
...	...	...	977	89	117	...	
...	...	...	582	...	2	...	
...	...	...	1,021	9	24	...	
...	...	...	584	1	1	...	
...	...	...	486	27	11	...	
...	...	...	268	...	...	...	
137	162	118	4,918	201	262	38	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	58	150	5	1	4	4	100
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	..	74	38	36	28	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	2,823	2,160	662	546	...
Subordinate Court, Larkana, Small Causes.	..	..	796	680	116	76	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,155	1,900	255	229	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes,	...	...	613	577	36	43	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	939	768	171	226	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	..	...	496	466	30	45	...
Total ...	58	150	7,900	6,590	1,310	1,197	100
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	47	282	2,370	1,341	1,029	1,357	17
Court of Small Causes	...	...	8,177	6,973	1,204	1,822	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular .	...	...	778	600	178	217	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	623	573	50	107	...
Total ...	47	282	11,948	9,487	2,461	3,503	17
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	139	430	8,467	6,591	1,816	2,135	368
Sukkur	105	339	9,702	7,691	2,011	1,809	299
Larkana	58	150	7,900	6,590	1,310	1,197	100
Karachi	47	282	11,948	9,487	2,461	3,503	17
Total ..	349	1,201	37,957	30,359	7,598	8,644	784
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	352
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	352

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1925—(*concld.*)

WORK.							
Appeals.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
37	63	57	1	24	3	29	
...	...	...	37	13	12	...	
...	...	...	1,116	22	70	...	
...	...	...	384	1	3	...	
...	...	...	825	20	6	...	
...	...	...	237	...	...	...	
...	...	...	585	16	6	...	
...	...	...	278	...	...	...	
37	63	57	3,463	96	100	29	
18	4	5	1,289	67	986	3	
...	...	...	5,288	44	68	...	
...	...	...	392	3	3	...	
...	...	...	405	4	1	...	
18	4	5	7,374	118	1,058	3	
127	241	221	4,342	239	232	116	
137	162	118	4,928	201	262	38	
37	63	57	3,463	96	100	29	
13	4	5	7,374	118	1,058	3	
314	470	401	20,107	654	1,652	186	
119	233	130	...	...	...	87	
119	233	130	...	...	...	87	

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P. E. PERCIVAL, ESQUIRE, C.I.E., I.C.S.,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

2. The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

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Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P. E. PERCIVAL,
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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377 according to the census of 1921.

2 The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., from 1st January to 20th October 1926 and by Mr. P. E. Percival, C.I.E., I C.S., from 21st October to 31st December 1926.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

1. Mr. B. C. Kennedy, I.C.S., from 1st January to 12th April 1926.
2. Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1926.
3. Mr. C. M. Lobo, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1926.
4. Mr. Faiz B. Tyabji, Bar-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1926.
5. Mr. K. W. Barlee, Bar-at-Law, I.C.S., from 19th June to 17th October 1926.
6. Dr. F. X. DeSouza, M.A., LL.D., Bar-at-Law, I.C.S., from 18th October to 31st December 1926.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 20th May to 19th June 1926.

5. There were on 31st December 1926 :—

3 Sessions Judges.
3 Additional Sessions Judges.
7 District Magistrates.
21 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.
15 City and Resident Magistrates.
224 Other first, second and third class Magistrates, of whom 96 were Special and Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 41 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 228 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1926:—

3 District Judges.
3 Assistant Judges.
3 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).
4 First Class Sub-Judges.
12 Second Class Sub-Judges.

7. The annual cold-weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in December 1926 by the Judicial Commissioner. He inspected the District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Sub-Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana and the First Class Sub-Court of Shikarpur and the City Magistrates' Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Shikarpur; the Court of the Resident Magistrate, Larkana, the First Class Magistrates' Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur, Larkana and Shikarpur. In the course of his tour, the Judicial Commissioner visited also the Courts of the Sub-Judge and the Resident Magistrate, Rohri, from Sukkur; the Court of the Sub-Judge and First Class Magistrate, Jacobabad, from Shikarpur; the Court of the Sub-Judge, Sehwan, from Larkana; and the Courts of the Sub-Judges of Mirpurkhas and Tando Mahomed Khan and the Resident Magistrate's Court at Kotri from Hyderabad.

Informal conferences with the Bar Associations at the various stations mentioned above were also held at which important questions relating to the administration of justice in the Province were discussed by the Judicial Commissioner.

8. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Second Class Sub-Court of Shahdadpur and the Assistant Judge that of Naushahro. The District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Second Class Sub-Court of Sehwan.

9. The temporary appointment of a fifth Judge in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, which was created by Government with effect from 21st June 1923 continued during the whole year and came to an end on 20th June 1927.

10. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province.

11. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 19,49,739 and the total charges Rs. 23,19,722 during the year under report, disclosing a deficit of Rs. 12,69,983. The deficit, as in 1924 and in 1925, is mainly due to the fact that the cost of the new Judicial Court buildings at Karachi is debited against receipts. There is bound to be such deficit until these new Judicial buildings, which are estimated to cost 33 lakhs, are completed; they are expected to be completed early in 1928. In the year under report, of the total charges, Rs. 10, 10, 973 and 90,038 are for " Buildings—Original Works " in the Karachi and Hyderabad Districts, respectively.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

12. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review shows an increase as compared with the preceding year, the figures being :—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offences returned as true.
1925	32,014	30,227
1926	34,345	32,802
	+2,331	+2,575

13. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 32,277 to 34,132 and in the number of persons undertrial from 52,090 to 54,731. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report fell from 6,684 to 6,154. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, was 55,190.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1925 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1925	52,353	23,764	20,901
1926	55,190	25,067	23,124
Total ...	+ 2,837	+ 1,303	+ 2,223

14. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1926 as contrasted with those in 1925:—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1925 ...	23	44	4,095	15,828	121	1,099
1926 ...	10	70	4,774	17,227	137	1,214

The fines in 1926 amounted to Rs. 2,57,298-12-3 as against Rs. 2,62,171-6-0 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1926 amounted to Rs. 11,121-12-0 as against Rs. 11,068-14-0 in 1925.

15. Particulars as to the results of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table:—

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	21,410	6,475	14,048	3	884
Hyderabad	6,151	2,945	2,739	78	389
Sukkur	7,678	4,373	2,168	36	1,101
Larkana	9,753	5,993	1,656	23	2,081
Nawabshah	4,437	2,454	1,184	27	772
Thar Parkar	2,533	1,258	565	213	497
Upper Sind Frontier ...	2,740	1,564	752	6	418
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	29	5	12	...	12
Total ...	54,731	25,067	23,124	386	6,154

The excess of acquittals or discharges over convictions is due to the fact that a large number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

16. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last three years:—

District.	1924.				1925.				1926.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	39	40	286	288	42	47	290	282	30	29	296	289
Hyderabad ...	136	124	408	442	127	139	421	430	197	151	501	469
Sukkur	77	74	117	96	90	105	253	255	67	65	324	324
Larkana	63	73	67	73	63	58	165	150	65	69	200	204

17. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 272 to 241 in the year under report.

18. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads:—

(1) Against the State.

(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(4) Relating to coin.

(5) Relating to religion.

(6) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(7) Criminal force and assault.

(8) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(9) Theft ordinary.

(10) Criminal misappropriation.

(11) Criminal breach of trust.

(12) Receiving stolen property.

(13) Cheating.

(14) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(15) Criminal trespass.

(16) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(17) Defamation.

(18) Offences under special and local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads:—

(1) Against the public tranquility.

(2) By or relating to public servants.

(3) Relating to Government stamps.

(4) Relating to weights and measures.

(5) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(6) Affecting life.

(7) Hurt.

(8) Rape.

(9) Unnatural offence.

(10) Cattle-theft.

(11) Extortion.

(12) Robbery and dacoity.

(13) Mischief.

(14) Criminal breach of contracts of service.

(15) Relating to marriage.

(16) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

19. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,529, that is, 216 more than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 1,771 cases and were reversed or varied in 688. The sentences were maintained intact in 70·03 per cent. of appeals against 73·45 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	251
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	1,972
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction)	306

The Criminal Appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner and the Sessions Courts show an increase of 18 and 204, respectively, and the Courts of the Magistrates show a decrease of 22.

20. During the year under report, cases of 234 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 120 and the District Magistrates 22. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 22 persons were reversed, of 17 persons altered and of 92 persons were otherwise disposed of.

21. The following table shows the Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1925 and the Arrears at the end of the year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1924.	1925.		Arrears on 31st December 1925.	1926.		Arrears on 31st December 1926.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Criminal appeals ...	29	197	200	26	207	202	31
2	Confirmation cases ...	11	20	29	2	21	16	7
3	Reported cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	10	36	44	2	55	50	7
4	Criminal Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	2	...	2	...	2	...
5	Criminal Revision Applications.	25	168	162	31	144	156	19
6	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	27	26	1	30	30	1
7	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	5	98	86	17	90	101	6

The cases of 29 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death.

In the case of 10, the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 2 it was commuted to that of transportation for life; in the case of 5 the convictions and sentences were reversed and the accused acquitted; and the cases of 12 persons were pending at the close of the year.

22. As a result of the Judicial Commissioner's tour in December 1926, a circular was issued to Magistrates and Sessions Judges in connection with (1) cattle-lifting and (2) delay in the disposal of criminal cases in the Province.

Also, with the approval of the Judges of this Court, extracts from the Report of the Lahore High Court on the Administration of Criminal Justice in the Punjab during the year 1925 regarding the undesirability of short terms of imprisonment, the infliction of fines without due consideration of the convict's capacity to pay and the mitigation of the ill-effects of frivolous transfer applications were brought to their notice for their guidance.

Civil Justice.

23. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 30,226 as compared with 28,812 in 1925. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1925.	1926.
Hyderabad	10	13
Sukkur	13	5
Larkana	1	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,013	1,027

24. The following table shows the nature of the suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1925 and 1926. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 4·49 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1925 was 3·1 :—

Nature.	1925.	1926.
Money and moveable property ...	25,400	26,564
Mortgage	933	759
Immoveable property	895	1,356

25. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,34,77,998-8-7 compared with Rs. 1,83,81.658-9-10½ in 1925 and Rs. 1,22,22,845-10-10½ in 1924.

26. The total number of suits disposed of was 29,570 as against 30,359 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1926 as compared with the year 1925:—

Manner of disposal.	1925.	1926.
Without trial	6,394	5,874
By arbitration	2,456	2,305
Contested	5,072	4,578
Without contest	16,437	16,813

27. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 8,727.

28. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 310·58 and 301·95 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 320·80 and 258·64 days, respectively, in 1925.

29. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,683 as against 1,943 in 1925. The number disposed of was 2,236 as against 1,350 in 1925.

30. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction), was 867 as against 784 in 1925. Of these 398 were disposed of as compared with 314 in 1925. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1925.	1926.
Hyderabad	127	149
Sukkur	137	222
Larkana	37	21
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	13	6

31. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 371·19 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) 243·33 and (High Court Jurisdiction) 469·29. The corresponding figures for the year 1925 were 535·25, 217·77 and 526·82 respeclively.

32. There were in all 24,437 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 23,923 in 1925 Of these 20,559 were disposed of as against 20,107 in 1925. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 6,43, 756-2-0 as compared with Rs. 6,23,221-1-8 in the year 1925. Moveable property was sold in 185 cases as against 151 in 1925, and attached but subsequently released in 355 as against 232 in 1925.

33. 282 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 200 in 1925. Out of 372 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 227 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 145. The number of insolvents discharged was 97 as against 116 in 1925. The orders of adjudication in respect of 82 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court decreased from 299 to 244.

34. There were no references made under section 27 or any appeals filed under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review.

35. The following table shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1925 and the arrears awaiting disposal:—

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1924.	1925		Arrears on 31st December 1925.	1926.		Arrears on 31st December 1926.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals ...	78	184	82	180	104	88	196
II Appeals ...	52	38	37	53	48	25	76
Miscellaneous appeals .	34	61	47	48	69	39	78
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	8	13	16	5	11	9	7

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1924.	1925		Arrears on 31st December 1926.	1926.		Arrears on 31st December 1926.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	30	137	91	76	51	30	97
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	..	...	1	...	1
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	5	12	13	4	3	2	5
Applications under Order XLVI, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	3	2	1	...	1	...
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	4	3	2	4	4	2
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	29	..	29	...	50	29	1
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	1	...	1	...	2	2	21
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	1	12	13	...	...	...	...

GENERAL.

36. There has been a slight increase both in Criminal and Civil work in the year under report which however does not call for any comment.

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STATEMENT No. 25.—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1926.

Name of Province.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Number of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Remarks.
				Judges of Chief Courts of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sind—									
Civ	...	4	14	5 (a)	...	3	9 (b)	12	
Criminal	...	7	62	5 (a)	...	13 (c)	22 (d)	(*) 143 (e)	

(a Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(b) Includes 3 Assistant Judges, 2 Small Cause Court Judges and 4 First Class Sub-Judges.

(c) These are District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges, and 3 Additional Sessions Judges.

(d) These are Assistant Collectors and Deputy Collectors.

(e) These are all Stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 7 and 8.

*) Besides these there were 96 Special and Honorary Magistrates and 41 Benches of Magistrates constituted from among 228 Honorary Magistrates.

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STATEMENT No. 26. (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sind—					Rs.	Rs.	
Civil	29,570	22,897	510	132	10,49,739	*23,19,722	
Criminal	32,429	775	2,738	477			

* This includes adjustment contributions, payment to Officers of other Provinces and foreign service payments.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the rent law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	18,104	...	...	...	...	...	1,315	154	714	932	3,115	21,219
Small Cause Courts ...	7,962	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	7,962
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	5	...	...	...	...	...	4	7	...	2	13	18
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	493	387	...	29	...	416	37	4	45	32	118	1,027
Total ...	26,564	387	...	29	...	416	1,356	— 165	759	966	3,246	30,226

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STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1 000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Courts of Subordinate Judges	1,397	7,909	4,283	5,438	875	922	298	97	21,219	94,79,595 10 5
Small Cause Courts	395	2,823	1,647	2,525	572	...	...	...	7,962	11,37,926 8 3
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	3	1	8	1	4	...	...	18	9,126 9 11
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	14	106	89	184	46	298	97	193	1,027	28,51,349 12 0
Total ...	1,807	10,841	6,020	8,155	1,494	1,224	395	290	30,226	1,34,77,998 8 7

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STATEMENT No. 29.—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.	Number of suits disposed of, excluding transfers.					
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	Pending at the close of the year.
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	27,056	5,376	10,620	2 396	505	2,054	6,105
Small Cause Courts	9,166	405	5,875	1,062	182	103	1,539
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	19	7	1	2	3	1	5
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	2,056	86	317	332	96	147	1,078
Total ...	38,297	5,874	16,813	3,792	786	2,305	8,727
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	*38,297	5,874	16,813	3,792	786	2,305	8,727

* ncludes 491 revived suits.

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STATEMENT NO. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	1,084	240	601	68	26	5	144
Small Cause Courts	66	3	27	25	3	...	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	866	273	223	50	67	...	253
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	570	398	89	47	3	...	33
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	97	39	5	38	6	...	9
Total ...	2,683	953	945	228	105	5	447
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	2,683	953	945	228	105	5	447

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STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals from Decrees.						
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	858	36	248	31	69	8	466
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	9	...	4	...	2	..	3
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st Appeals ...	284	59	19	3	7	...	196
Do. do do. 2nd Appeals ...	101	17	7	...	1	...	76
Total ...	1,252	112	278	34	79	8	741

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STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	164	32	39	4	12	3	74
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3	2	...	...	1	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	117	25	5	4	4	1	78
Total ...	284	59	44	8	17	4	152

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STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	973	2,020	1,256	523	7	4	230
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	220	482	345	66	...	3	68
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	17,852	32,672	16,152	11,115	433	345	4,627
Benches of Magistrates	14,800	18,671	6,912	10,692	...	28	1,039
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code. ...	6	7	6	...	...		1
Chief Magistrates of Districts	131	411	82	327	...	2	...
Courts of Session	363	898	309	389	19	4	177
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	29	— 5	12	...	...	12
Total ...	34,345	55,190	25,067	23,124	459	386	6,154

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STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	261	92	69	25	61	4	...	10
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction)	2,130	989	390	234	311	48	...	158
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	370	109	122	20	37	18	...	64
Total ...	2,761	1,190	581	279	409	70	...	232
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	22	21	...	...	...	1	...	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	198	243	...	...	...	86	1	78
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	255	105	110	17	22	5	...	21
Total ..	475	369	110	17	22	92	1	99
GRAND TOTAL ...	*3,236	1,559	691	296	431	162	1	331

* In applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 235 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

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STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	1	1	...	5	...	...	..	5	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	390	336	381	2,162	1,138	446	36	542	
By or relating to public servants.	11	11	12	23	20	1	...	2	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	130	128	140	178	77	70	4	27	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	315	293	346	552	222	148	18	164	
Relating to coin	10	10	10	16	7	8	...	1	
Relating to Government stamps.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	
Relating to weights and measures	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	80	75	76	147	47	69	...	31	
Relating to religion ..	4	3	3	4	1	3	...	...	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	241	234	277	595	224	187	26	158	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.	1	1	2	3	2	1	...	...	

Hurt	3,256	2,939	3,089	8,256	6,733	566	69	888
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	171	128	151	468	366	21	...	81
Criminal force and assault ...	456	377	392	907	687	88	1	131
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	207	161	196	697	272	146	40	239
Rape	16	13	15	37	9	8	...	20
Unnatural offence	44	42	40	72	36	18	2	16
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	2,129	1,880	1,447	2,428	696	1,296	23	413
Cattle theft	773	749	852	1,531	610	651	11	259
Extortion	7	6	10	19	9	7	...	3
Robbery and dacoity ...	130	106	116	350	134	93	9	114
Criminal misappropriation ...	352	281	307	568	443	43	2	80
Criminal breach of trust ...	415	303	307	398	201	89	12	96
Receiving stolen property ...	536	526	567	845	334	322	31	158
Cheating	527	421	451	746	514	85	10	137
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	30	25	32	77	56	2	...	19
Mischief	407	364	407	1,255	929	100	9	217
Criminal tresspass	786	720	749	1,699	1,229	214	18	238
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	46	38	43	59	29	16	2	12
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	10	8	10	36	24	8	...	4
Relating to marriage ...	710	628	687	2,912	2,216	69	22	605
Defamation	58	50	51	87	65	1	2	19
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	958	841	885	2,212	1,749	292	6	165
Offences under special and local laws.	21,137	21,104	22,080	25,386	5,987	18,056	33	1,310
Total ...	34,345	32,802	34,132	54,731	25,067	23,124	386	6,154

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	109	378	6	56
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly..	...	...	...	33	85	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	3,909	6,209	131	962
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	273	9,936	...	27
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	23	593	...	...
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	118	46	...	168
Courts of Session	...	...	68	309	39	...	1
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	10	10	2	...	...	...	...
Total ...	10	10	70	4,774	17,230*	137	1,214

* Includes 3 persons sentenced to forfeiture.

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
243	435	9,703 12 0	6,911 8 0	1,235 12 0	23	70	16	...	
14	24	1,425 0 0	1,300 0 0	50 0 0	2	27	4	...	
3,871	2,332	1,67,433 3 6	1,43,967 1 0	8,432 5 0	272	2,274	1,431	7	
9,384	552	38,613 3 6	31,771 13 3	554 0 0	39	153	6	...	
501	92	4,322 0 0	4,009 7 0	200 0 0	10	13	...	...	
..	46	21,660 9 3	12,099 4 3	...	11	4	36	67	
...	36	14,141 0 0	3,753 0 6	949 11 0	12	27	93	177	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
14,010	3,217	2,57,298 12 3	2,03,811 15 0	11,121 12 0	369	2,568	1,586	251	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge,	151	469	7	4	3	5	400
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	199	89	110	87	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	852	538	314	268	...
Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, Small Causes.	...	...	1,228	1,144	84	94	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	451	340	111	149	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	252	217	35	38	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Nawabshah, Regular.	...	...	993	762	231	325	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Nawabshah, Small Causes.	...	...	445	400	45	74	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	944	746	198	294	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	422	347	75	45	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	929	685	244	276	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	342	293	49	40	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Regular.	...	...	117	86	31	52	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Small Causes.	...	...	160	146	14	51	...
Total ...	151	469	7,341	5,797	1,544	1,798	400
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	32	173	8	7	1	20	333
Court of Assistant Judge ...	33	151	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	114	65	49	49	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Regular	...	...	1,227	414	813	257	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,432	1,188	244	136	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	233	119	114	118	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur Regular.	...	...	1,552	1,004	548	502	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,111	924	187	156	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,233	1,800	433	392	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,110	995	115	77	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	943	706	237	259	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	560	502	58	45	...
Total ...	65	824	10,523	7,724	2,799	2,011	333

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1926.

WORK.							
Appeals.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
149	251	241	16	198	1	118	
..	...	...	60	66	41	...	
...	...	...	502	33	89	...	
	...	...	724	3	...	...	
...	...	...	231	2	12	...	
..	...	...	106	...	...	...	
...	...	...	682	8	8	...	
...	...	...	264	...	...	...	
...	...	...	471	15	9	...	
...	...	...	170	...	...	...	
...	...	...	606	24	7	...	
...	...	...	210	...	...	...	
...	...	...	74	2	1	...	
...	...	...	69	...	...	...	
149	251	241	4,185	351	168	118	
59	111	162	13	102	1	36	
163	...	...	1	138	...	...	
...	...	...	33	5	19	...	
...	...	...	296	4	293	...	
...	...	...	699	1	2	...	
...	...	...	101	6	53	...	
..	...	...	999	25	99	...	
..	...	...	519	2	1	...	
...	...	...	1,091	4	9	...	
...	...	...	657	...	...	...	
.	...	..	442	...	16	...	
..	...	..	321	...	...	...	
222	111	162	5,173	287	493	36	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	69	204	4	3	1	4	125
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	76	42	34	36	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	2,869	2,129	740	662	...
Subordinate Court, Larkana, Small Causes.	...	...	891	724	167	116	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,024	1,772	252	255	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	555	501	54	36	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	762	623	139	171	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	...	...	393	351	42	30	...
Total ...	69	204	7,574	6,145	1,429	1,310	125
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	29	289	2,056	978	1,078	1,029	9
Court of Small Causes ...	...	...	9,166	7,627	1,539	1,204	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular	...	...	829	617	212	178	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	808	682	126	50	...
Total ...	29	289	12,859	9,904	2,955	2,461	9
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	151	469	7,341	5,797	1,544	1,798	400
Sukkur	65	324	10,523	7,724	2,799	2,011	333
Larkana	69	204	7,574	6,145	1,429	1,310	125
Karachi	29	289	12,859	9,904	2,955	2,461	9
Total ...	314	1,286	38,297	29,570	8,727	7,580	867
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	384
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	384

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1926—(*concld.*)

WORK.							
Appeals.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
21	104	63	2	183	...	52	
...	...	...	51	15	16	...	
...	...	...	1,205	28	122	...	
...	...	...	416	...	8	...	
...	...	...	778	20	3	...	
.	...	...	223	4	...	...	
...	...	...	453	9	8	...	
..	...	...	235	1	...	...	
21	104	63	3,343	260	157	52	
6	3	3	1,248	139	824	...	
...	...	...	5,867	58	31	...	
...	...	...	331	2	2	...	
...	...	...	413	...	...	...	
6	3	3	7,859	199	857	...	
149	251	241	4,185	351	168	118	
222	111	162	5,172	287	493	36	
21	104	63	3,343	260	157	52	
6	3	3	7,859	199	857	...	
398	469	469	20,559	1,097	1,675	206	
112	272	234	...	...	...	91	
112	272	234	...	...	...	91	

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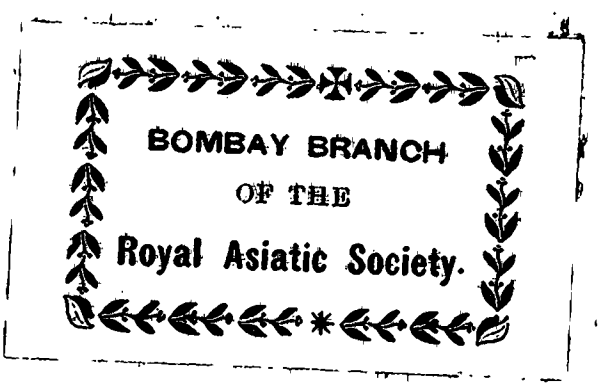
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COURT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND,

Karachi, 4th September 1928.

From

A. C. WILD, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

LIBRARY OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

2. The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. C. WILD,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

No.

Received from the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind the undermentioned Report:-

Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Signature.

Hon: Secy: Royal Asiatic Society, Bombay.

Dated.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377 according to the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. P. E. Percival, C.I.E., I.C.S., from 1st January to 31st December 1927.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 15th February to 31st December 1927.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1927.

(3) Dr. F. X. DeSouza, M.A., LL.D. (Cantab.), Bar.-at-Law, I.C.S., from 1st January to 31st December 1927.

(4) Mr. C. M. Lobo, LL.B., from 1st January to 20th June 1927.

(5) Mr. Faiz B. Tyabji, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 14th February 1927.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 9th May to 8th June 1927.

5. There were on 31st December 1927—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

7 District Magistrates.

14 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

15 City and Resident Magistrates.

233 Other 1st, 2nd and 3rd class Magistrates, of whom 91 were Special and Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 34 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 195 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1927—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

11 Second Class Sub-Judges.

7. The annual cold-weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was not made in the year under report on account of the Sessions Case commonly known as the "Karachi Coinage Case" which occupied 44 working days and of the arrears in the Court.

8. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Courts of Tando Muhammad Khan and Mirpurkhas.

9. The temporary appointment of a fifth Judge in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, which was created by Government with effect from 21st June 1923, terminated on 20th June 1927.

10. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province.

11 The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 10,92,761 and the total charges Rs. 14,17,974 during the year under report, disclosing a deficit of Rs. 3,25,213. The deficit, as in 1925 and in 1926, is mainly due to the fact that the cost of the new Judicial Court buildings at Karachi is debited against receipts. There is bound to be such deficit until these new Judicial buildings, which are estimated to cost 33 lakhs, are completed; they are expected to be completed and ready for occupation at the end of 1928. In the year under report, of the total charges, Rs. 3,33,265 is for "Buildings—Original Works" in the Karachi district.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

12. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 33,942 and 32,306, respectively, and show a decrease of 403 and 496 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 34,345 and 32,802, respectively.

13. There was a corresponding decrease in the number of cases brought to trial from 34,132 to 33,484 and in the number of persons under trial from 54,731 to 54,004. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report fell from 6,154 to 6,110. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, was 54,450.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1926:—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1926	55,190	25,067	23,124
1927	54,450	24,377	23,147
	— 740	— 690	+ 23

14. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1927 as contrasted with those in 1926:—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1926 ...	10	70	4,774	17,227	137	1,214
1927 ...	33	51	3,846	18,411	164	1,094

The fines in 1927 amounted to Rs. 2,54,620-15-4 as against Rs. 2,57,289-12-3 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1927 amounted to Rs. 8,969-3-4 as against Rs. 11,121-12-0 in 1926.

15. Particulars as to the results of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The excess of acquittals or discharges over convictions is due to the fact that a large number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

16. The work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

17. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 241 to 274 in the year under report.

18. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) By or relating to public servants.

(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

(3) Relating to coin.

(4) Relating to weights and measures.

(5) Relating to religion.

(6) Affecting life.

(7) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.

(8) Hurt.

(9) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(10) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(11) Rape.

(12) Cattle theft.

(13) Extortion.

(14) Criminal misappropriation.

(15) Receiving stolen property.

(16) Cheating.

(17) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(18) Criminal tresspass.

(19) Defamation.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the State.

(2) Against the public tranquility.

(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(4) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(5) Criminal force and assault.

(6) Unnatural offence.

(7) Theft ordinary.

(8) Robbery and dacoity.

(9) Criminal breach of trust.

(10) Mischief.

(11) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(12) Criminal breach of contracts of service.

(13) Relating to marriage.

(14) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

(15) Offences under special and local laws.

19. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,637, that is, 108 more than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 2,051 cases and were reversed or varied in 503. The sentences were maintained intact in 77·78 per cent of appeals against 70·03 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed—

(1)	Magistrates' Courts	304
(2)	Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	2,057
(3)	Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction)	276

The Criminal Appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner show a decrease of 26, and the Sessions Courts and the Courts of the Magistrates show an increase of 61 and 60, respectively.

20. During the year under report, cases of 197 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 157 and the District Magistrates 31. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 34 persons were reversed, of 12 persons altered and of 191 persons were otherwise disposed of.

21. The Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1926 and the arrears at the end of the year is shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 48 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 33, the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 6 it was commuted to that of transportation for life; in the case of 3 the convictions and sentences were reversed and the accused acquitted; and the cases of 6 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

22. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 34,418 as compared with 30,226 in 1926. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Judisdiction), filed in the two years was—

District.	1926.	1927.
Hyderabad	13	...
Sukkur	5	3
Larkana	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,027	882

23. The following table shows the nature of the suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1926 and 1927. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 2·21 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1926 was 4·49 per cent:—

Nature.	1926.	1927.
Money or moveable property ...	26,564	30,998
Mortgage	759	967
Immoveable property	1,356	760

24. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,54,34,750-0-8 compared with Rs. 1,34,77,998-8-7 in 1926 and Rs. 1,83,81,658-9-10½ in 1925.

25. The total number of suits disposed of was 34,094 as against 29,570 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1927 as compared with the year 1926:—

Manner of disposal.	1926.	1927.
Without trial	5,874	6,562
By arbitration	2,305	2,512
Contested	4,578	4,963
Without contest	16,813	20,057

26. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 9,486 as against 8,727 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 922 as against 1,078.

27. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 310·01 and 166·11 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 310·58 and 301·95 days, respectively, in 1926.

28. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,049 as against 2,683 in 1926. The number disposed of was 1,499 as against 2,236 in 1926.

29. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 808 as against 867 in 1926. Of these 453 were disposed of as compared with 398 in 1926. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1926.	1927.
Hyderabad	149	177
Sukkur	222	127
Larkana	21	147
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	6	2

30. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 496·67 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) 365 and

(High Court Jurisdiction) 580·04. The corresponding figures for the year 1926 were 371·19, 243·33 and 469·29, respectively.

31. There were in all 27,241 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 24,437 in 1926. Of these 23,015 were disposed of as against 20,559 in 1926. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 16,39,959-0-4 as compared with Rs. 6,43,756-2-0 in the year 1926. Moveable property was sold in 135 cases as against 185 in 1926, and attached but subsequently released in 281 as against 355 in 1926.

32. 287 Insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 282 in 1926. Out of 432 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 316 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 116. The number of insolvents discharged was 102 as against 97 in 1926. The orders of adjudication in respect of 31 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court increased from 244 to 299.

33. There were no references made under section 27 or any appeals filed under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review.

34. At the opening of the year, 5 applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council were pending orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. Three new applications were filed during the year making a total of 8. Of these, 1 was withdrawn and in 2 certificates were granted but eventually they were revoked and the applications struck off, as the applicants failed to give the required security within the time allowed by law. Five applications were pending at the close of the year.

35. Appendix D shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1926 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

GENERAL.

36. The arrears of work, particularly Civil Appellate and Original, in the Judicial Commissioner's Court are still very heavy. Government on account of financial stringency were unable to extend the period of the temporary appointment of the fifth Judge

beyond 20th June 1927. But to relieve the Court of some of the petty civil work a special bill for the establishment of a Court of Small Causes at Karachi with higher pecuniary jurisdiction than at present is before the Government. A proposal is also under the consideration of Government to transfer the mofussil work of the Karachi district outside the Karachi taluka to the Hyderabad Judicial district, which proposal, if given effect to, will further relieve the Judicial Commissioner's Court to some extent.

37. Government owing to financial stringency have also not been able to establish a Chief Court for Sind, though the Sind Courts Act was passed in 1926. For the same reason the creation of the new Judicial district of Nawabshah has been postponed.

38. To effect improvement in the administration of civil justice in the four desert talukas of Mithi, Chachro, Diplo and Nagar Parkar in the Thar Parkar district by bringing justice nearer home to the poorer class of agriculturists-defendants, the "linked" Sub-Court at Mithi, which was established in June 1923 but had not proved a success, has been abolished; the talukas have been included within the limits of the jurisdiction of the Sub-Court of Mirpurkhas in the said district and the Mukhtiarkars of those talukas have been appointed Joint Sub-Judges to try suits, which do not exceed Rs. 250 in value, arising within their talukas and empowered to hold their Courts at their respective headquarters, with effect from 1st October 1927.

Karachi, 3rd September 1928.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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APPENDIX A.

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from previous year).	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	20,979	6,430	13,687	12	850
Hyderabad	4,633	1,749	2,469	66	349
Sukkur	8,387	4,567	2,598	9	1,213
Larkana	9,476	5,865	1,713	178	1,720
Nawabshah	4,347	2,500	1,106	64	677
Thar Parkar	2,620	1,384	677	36	523
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,514	1,879	858	5	772
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	48	3	39	...	6
Total ...	54,004	24,377	23,147	370	6,110

APPENDIX B.

District.	1925.				1926				1927.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeal.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	42	47	290	282	30	29	296	289	38	30	314	323
Hyderabad ...	127	139	421	430	197	151	501	469	147	182	675	670
Sukkur	90	105	253	255	67	65	324	324	93	82	327	332
Larkana	63	58	165	150	65	69	200	204	98	103	226	233

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APPENDIX C.

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1925.	1926. Filed.	1926. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1926.	1927. Filed.	1927. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1927.
1	Criminal appeals ...	26	207	202	31	250	216	65
2	Confirmation cases ...	2	21	16	7	29	31	5
3	Reported cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	2	55	50	7	68	64	11
4	Criminal Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	2	...	2	...	1	...	1
5	Criminal Revision Applications.	31	144	156	19	156	136	39
6	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	30	30	1	30	31	..
7	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	17	90	101	6	55	55	6

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APPENDIX D.

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1925.	1926.		Arrears on 31st December 1926.	1927.		Arrears on 31st December 1927.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed	Dispos of.	
I Appeals	180	104	88	196	90	86	200
II Appeals	53	48	25	76	60	43	93
Miscellaneous appeals ...	48	69	39	78	60	53	85
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code	5	11	9	7	9	15	1
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	76	51	30	97	47	68	76
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	..	1	3	2	2
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	4	3	2	5	3	3	5
Applications under Order XLVI, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	2	4	4	2	2	3	1
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	...	1	...	1	2	1	2
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	...	50	29	21	29	24	26
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	...	2	2	...	3	3	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	...	...	...	..	3	3	...

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STATEMENT No. 25.—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1927.

Name of Province.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Number of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction.					Remarks.
				Judges of Chief Courts of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sind—									
Civil	...	4	14	4 (*a*)	...	3	10 (*b*)	11	
Criminal	...	7	62	4 (*a*)	...	14 (*c*)	20 (*d*)	(*) 142 (*e*)	

(*a*) Includes the Judicial Commissioner.

(*b*) Includes 4 Assistant Judges, 2 Small Cause Court Judges and 4 First Class Sub-Judges.

(*c*) These are 6 District Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, 3 Sessions Judges, and 4 Additional Sessions Judges.

(*d*) These are Assistant Collectors and Deputy Collectors and First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges' powers.

(*e*) These are all Stipendiary Magistrates other than those shown in columns 7 and 8.

(*) Besides these there were 91 Special and Honorary Magistrates and 34 Benches of Magistrates constituted from among 195 Honorary Magistrates.

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STATEMENT No. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	34,094	24,659	582	161	10,92,761	14,17,974*	
Criminal	31,815	530	1,855	152			

*This includes adjustment, contributions, payment to officers of other Provinces and foreign service payments.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the rent law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	22,690	...	...	...	...	...	711	131	894	1,070	2,806	25,496
Small Cause Court ...	8,037	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	....	...	...	8,037
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	3
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	269	391	6	27	...	424	49	16	73	51	189	882
Total ...	30,998	391	6	27	...	424	760	147	967	1,122	2,996	34,418

STATEMENT No. 28—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	1,810	9,838	5,089	6,300	1,073	1,028	277	81	25,496	1,23,35,948 14 4
Small Cause Courts	474	2,899	1,652	2,504	508	...	....	..	8,037	11,10,265 4 4
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	3	8,272 0 0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	6	58	74	63	81	375	122	103	882	19,80,263 14 0
Total ...	2,290	12,795	6,815	8,867	1,662	1,404	400	185	34,418	1,54,34,750 0 8

M. DESOUZA,
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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.	Number of suits disposed of, excluding transfers.					
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	Pending at the close of the year.
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	32,040	5,899	13,566	2,908	445	2,126	7,096
Small Cause Courts	9,576	504	6,242	1,080	181	102	1,467
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	4	1	...	1	1	...	1
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	1,960	158	249	283	64	284	922
TOTAL ...	43,580	6,562	20,057	4,272	691	2,512	9,486
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	*43,580	6,562	20,057	4,272	691	2,512	9,486

* The number of cases pending at the close of the last year was 8,727. If this be deducted from the total in column 2, the balance is 34,853 instead of 34,418. This is due to there being 427 revived and 8 transferred suits.

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STATEMENT NO. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.
		Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.	
				Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.—CIVIL COURTS.							
Courts of Subordinate Judges	544	90	174	69	29	1	181
Small Cause Courts	75	5	23	10	17	1	19
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	730	60	345	51	62	...	212
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	465	278	96	63	1	...	27
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	235	52	8	25	39	...	111
Total ...	2,049	485	646	218	148	2	550
II.—REVENUE COURTS.							
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	2,049	485	646	218	148	2	550

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STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Appeals from Decrees.						
	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	800	85	233	26	86	21	349
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	8	....	2	..	...	..	6
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st Appeals ...	286	36	36	10	2	2	200
Do. do. do. 2nd Appeals ...	136	19	18	4	...	2	93
Total ...	1,230	140	289	40	88	25	648

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STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals	Number of appeals before the Courts.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.
		Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	145	26	49	2	26	5	37
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	138	22	19	11	...	1	85
Total ...	283	48	68	13	26	6	122

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STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	357	1,194	828	145	3	25	193
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	798	1,828	1,141	431	...	...	256
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	14,125	29,061	16,193	7,627	412	318	4,511
Benches of Magistrates	18,083	20,695	5,593	14,169	...	19	914
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	72	199	84	70	...		45
Chief Magistrates of Districts	426	360	140	216	...	4	...
Courts of Session	381	1,065	395	450	31	4	185
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	48	3	39	..	...	6
Total ...	33,942	54,450	24,377	23,147	446	370	6,110

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STATEMENT No. 34—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applica-tions rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	321	65	113	11	78	30	7	17
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	2,191	1,164	481	110	263	38	1	134
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	344	121	107	14	27	7	...	68
Total ...	2,856	1,350	701	135	368	75	8	219
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	36	25	...	...	...	6	...	5
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	188	197	...	...	...	175	...	31
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	258	106	35	12	34	10	...	61
Total ...	482	328	35	12	34	191	...	97
GRAND TOTAL ...	*3,338	1,678	736	147	402	266	8	316

*In applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 215 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of colums 3 to 9.

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STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	...	...	1	5	2	3	...	...	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	378	337	372	2,082	1,218	428	6	430	
By or relating to public servants	30	28	30	42	24	9	1	8	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	160	153	159	290	99	108	1	82	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	289	259	308	478	211	124	8	135	
Relating to coin	25	23	24	38	2	18	4	14	
Relating to Government stamps.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Relating to weights and measures	22	20	19	22	7	12	...	3	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	70	69	81	119	46	70	...	3	
Relating to religion.	11	11	1	20	1	...	...	19	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	274	268	339	691	243	226	52	170	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.	4	2	2	2	...	2	...	...	

Hurt	3,321	2,942	3,060	8,537	6,939	559	33	1,006
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	188	157	170	595	399	28	2	166
Criminal force and assault.	432	370	402	992	780	93	4	115
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	210	166	183	688	341	134	42	171
Rape	16	16	17	42	28	5	...	9
Unnatural offence	37	36	46	69	29	35	...	5
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	1,770	1,567	1,357	2,252	651	1,176	10	415
Cattle theft	1,179	1,115	1,133	1,742	493	971	12	266
Extortion	14	12	17	33	16	7	2	8
Robbery and dacoity ...	109	85	101	420	144	117	6	153
Criminal misappropriation ...	413	337	356	619	484	31	2	102
Criminal breach of trust ..	390	272	299	387	155	82	5	145
Receiving stolen property ...	542	507	561	884	317	406	8	153
Cheating	638	518	562	1,025	720	87	8	210
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	37	30	35	114	85	12	...	17
Mischief	386	328	378	1,083	802	100	4	177
Criminal tresspass... ...	797	730	764	1,700	1,186	263	7	244
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	40	29	34	60	19	10	3	28
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	1	1	2	2	1	...	1	...
Relating to marriage ...	546	464	526	2,236	1,684	28	32	492
Defamation	64	56	66	128	96	1	1	30
Criminal intimation, insult and annoyance.	910	802	824	2,075	1,757	105	1	212
Offences under special and local laws.	20,639	20,596	21,155	24,532	5,398	17,897	115	1,122
Total ...	33,942	32,306	33,484	54,004	24,377	23,147	370	6,110

M. DESOUZA,
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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	50	105	...	5
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	116	284	10	14
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	2,957	6,218	153	908
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	197	11,723	...	19
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	....	...	...	54	10	...	32
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	83	21	...	113
Courts of Session	...	...	45	389	50	1	3
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	33	33	6	...	...	...	...
Total ...	33	33	51	3,846	18,411	164	1,094

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
32	73	5,514 0 0	4,635 0 0	199 0 0	16	25	7	2	
191	98	6,456 15 0	4,935 3 0	101 0 0	3	91	22	...	
4,040	2,215	1,71,854 0 0	1,29,555 12 10	7,541 3 4	311	1,264	1,371	11	
11,091	595	41,531 8 4	37,413 2 4	480 0 0	28	132	37	...	
...	10	5,100 0 0	2,906 0 0	540 0 0	...	2	52	...	
1	20	16,171 8 0	9,182 2 6	5 0 0	...	...	18	65	
...	50	7,993 0 0	4,924 8 0	103 0 0	8	36	88	257	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
15,355	3,056	2,54,620 15 4	1,93,556 12 8	8,969 3 4	366	1,550	1,595	335	

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Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge,	182	670	1	1	...	3	379
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	204	99	105	110	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	841	621	220	314	...
Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, Small Causes.	...	...	1,580	1,488	92	84	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	476	353	123	111	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	339	302	37	35	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Regular.	...	...	1,081	721	360	231	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur Small Causes.	..	...	635	512	3	45	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,345	963	382	198	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	743	615	128	75	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	1,445	1,109	336	244	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	634	565	69	49	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Regular.	...	...	8	8	..	31	...
Subordinate Court, Mithi, Small Causes.	...	...	18	18	...	14	...
Total ...	182	670	9,350	7,375	1,975	1,544	379
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	42	259	2	1	1	1	251
Court of Assistant Judge ...	40	37	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	106	64	42	49	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Regular	...	...	1,185	315	820	813	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,716	1,328	388	244	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	217	109	108	114	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur Regular.	...	...	1,563	937	626	548	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,415	1,137	278	187	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,440	1,934	506	433	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,623	1,406	217	115	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	904	689	215	237	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	586	546	40	58	...
Total ...	82	296	11,707	8,466	3,241	2,799	251

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1927.

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
177	202	251	10	220	...	87	
...	...	...	72	36	52	...	
...	...	...	548	30	42	...	
...	...	...	970	4	1	...	
...	...	...	223	4	3	...	
...	...	...	117	2	...	...	
...	...	...	596	12	5	...	
...	...	...	254	...	...	...	
...	...	...	665	12	8	...	
...	...	...	282	...	...	...	
...	..	...	881	13	5	...	
...	...	...	271	...	...	...	
...	...	...	9	...	...	...	
...	...	...	2	...	...	...	
177	202	251	4,900	333	116	87	
88	124	111	7	110	1	41	
39	...	...	16	49	...	...	
...	...	...	29	33	17	...	
...	...	...	293	38	666	...	
...	..	...	822	8	4	...	
...	...	...	105	28	60	...	
...	...	...	962	60	124	...	
...	...	...	561	5	...	...	
...	...	...	1,124	41	8	...	
...	...	...	767	...	...	...	
...	...	..	570	28	13	...	
..	...	..	339	...	...	...	
127	124	111	5,595	400	893	41	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	60	189	1	1	...	1	170
Court of Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge.	43	44	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	84	41	43	34	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	3,424	2,679	745	740	...
Subordinate Court, Larkana, Small Causes.	...	...	1,121	1,001	120	167	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	1,639	1,407	232	252	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	476	438	38	54	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,109	893	216	139	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	...	...	708	655	53	42	...
Total ...	103	233	8,562	7,115	1,447	1,429	170
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	30	323	1,960	1,038	922	1,078	8
Court of Small Causes	..	..	9,576	8,109	1,467	1,539	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular .	...	...	1,237	960	277	212	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,188	1,031	157	126	...
Total ...	30	323	13,961	11,138	2,823	2,955	8
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	182	670	9,350	7,375	1,975	1,544	379
Sukkur	82	296	11,707	8,466	3,241	2,799	251
Larkana	103	233	8,562	7,115	1,447	1,429	170
Karachi	30	323	13,961	11,138	2,823	2,955	8
Total ...	397	1,522	43,580	34,094	9,486	8,727	808
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	422
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	422

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1927—*concld.*

WORK.							
Appellate.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
99	23	104	...	61	...	5	
48	...	...	...	78	...	...	
...	...	...	30	12	20	...	
...	...	...	1,402	26	109	...	
...	...	...	20	1	4	...	
...	...	...	923	19	4	...	
...	...	...	283	2	...	...	
...	...	...	581	10	3	...	
..	...	...	290	...	...	...	
147	23	104	3,929	209	140	5	
2	6	3	1,111	160	749	1	
...	...	...	6,578	56	18	...	
...	...	...	375	1	1	...	
...	...	...	527	...	...	...	
2	6	3	8,591	217	767	1	
177	202	251	4,900	333	116	87	
127	124	111	5,595	400	893	41	
147	23	104	3,929	209	140	5	
2	6	3	8,591	217	767	1	
453	355	469	23,015	1,159	1,916	134	
129	293	272	...	...	...	132	
129	293	272	...	...	...	132	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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COURT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND,
Karachi, 1st October 1929.

From

P. E. PERCIVAL, ESQUIRE, C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

2. The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
P. E. PERCIVAL,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Preliminary Remarks.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377 according to the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. P. E. Percival, C.I.E., I.C.S., from 1st January to 30th June 1928 and from 17th December to 31st December 1928 and by Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 1st July to 16th December 1928.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:–

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1928.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1928.

(3) Dr. F. X. DeSouza, M.A., LL.D., (Cantab.), Bar.-at-Law, I.C.S., from 1st January to 30th June 1928.

(4) Mr. R. B. Milne, I.C.S., from 1st July to 16th December 1928.

(5) Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 17th December to 31st December 1928.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 31st May to 30th June 1928.

5. There were on 31st December 1928—

3 Sessions Judges.

5 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

8 District Magistrates, including the City Magistate, Karachi, who was also Additional District Magistrate.

161 Stipendiary Magistrates.

70 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 27 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 159 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1928—

3 District Judges.

5 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

19 Second Class Sub-Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who were also Joint Sub-Judges.

7. The Additional Judicial Commissioner (Mr. A. C. Wild) who was deputed by the Judicial Commissioner, went on tour to make the annual inspection of the Courts in Sind and he inspected the District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Sub-Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana; the First Class Sub-Court, Shikarpur; the Court of the Sub-Judge, Rohri; the Court of the Sub-Judge and First Class Magistrate, Jacobabad; the City Magistrates' Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Shikarpur; the Additional City Magistrate's Court, Hyderabad; the Court of the Resident Magistrate, Larkana, and the Courts of the Sub-Judge and of the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Tatta.

Informal conferences with the Bar Associations at the various stations mentioned above were also held at which important questions relating to the administration of justice in the Province were discussed by the Additional Judicial Commissioner.

8. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Courts of Shahdadpur and Naushahro; the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Courts of Shikarpur and Jacobabad; and the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Courts of Mehar and Sehwan.

9. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported on the whole to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province. Certain sections of the Act, however, are not working satisfactorily; and some amendments in the Act appear to be desirable.

10. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant-General, Rs. 11,13,173 and the total charges Rs. 13,10,272 during the year under report, disclosing a deficit of Rs. 1,97,099. The deficit as in 1926 and 1927 is mainly due to the fact that the cost of the new Judicial Court buildings at Karachi is debited against receipts. The buildings have now been completed and occupied.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

11. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 38,218 and 36,394, respectively, and show an increase of 4,276 and 4,088 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 33,942 and 32,306, respectively.

12. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 33,484 to 37,052 and in the number of persons under trial from 54,004 to 60,022. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report increased from 6,110 to 6,995. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, was 60,613.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1927 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1927	54,450	24,377	23,147
1928	60,613	23,785	28,785
	+ 6,163	− 592	+ 5,638

13. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1928 as contrasted with those in 1927 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1927 ...	33	51	3,846	18 411	164	1,094
1928 ...	24	62	5,200	23,136	175	678

The fines in 1928 amounted to Rs. 2,76,539-11-10 as against Rs. 2,54,620-15-4 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1928 amounted to Rs. 13,814-15-0 as against 8,969-3-4 in 1927.

14. Particulars as to the results of trials in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

Though the number of convictions during the year under report is in excess of acquittals or discharges, yet the number of the latter is comparatively still high, which, however, is due to the fact that a large number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

15. The work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

16. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 274 to 395 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women.

17. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the public tranquility.
(2) By or relating to public servants.
(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.
(4) Relating to Government stamps.
(5) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.
(6) Affecting life.
(7) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of birth.
(8) Hurt.
(9) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
(10) Criminal force and assault.
(11) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.
(12) Rape.
(13) Unnatural offence.
(14) Theft ordinary.
(15) Extortion.
(16) Robbery and dacoity.
(17) Criminal breach of trust.

(18) Receiving stolen property.
(19) Cheating.
(20) Mischief.
(21) Criminal tresspass.
(22) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.
(23) Relating to marriage.
(24) Defamation.
(25) Offences under special and local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
(2) Relating to coin.
(3) Relating to weights and measures.
(4) Cattle theft.
(5) Criminal misappropriation.
(6) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
(7) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

In considering cattle thefts, however, it has to be remembered that many cases of cattle theft are not reported.

18. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,589, that is, 48 less than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 2,019 cases and were reversed or varied in 526. The sentences were maintained intact in 77·98 per cent. of appeals against 77·78 in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	312
(2) Sessions Courts (including the Judicial Commissioner's Court).	1,906
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction).	371

The Criminal Appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner and Courts of the Magistrates show an increase of 79 and 4, respectively, and the Sessions Courts show a decrease of 120.

19. During the year under report cases of 181 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 201 and the District Magistrates 73. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 43 persons were reversed, of 9 persons altered and of 131 persons were otherwise disposed of.

20. The Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1927 and the arrears at the end of the year is shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 34 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death In the case of 24, the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 5 it was commuted to that of transportation for life; in the case of 1 the conviction and sentence was reversed and the accused acquitted; and the cases of 4 persons were pending at the close of the year.

21. There is great delay in the disposal of Criminal cases in Sind. In a Circular issued by the Judicial Commissioner in 1927 the following were indicated as the chief reasons for the delay :—

(1) The failure of the police to serve summonses,

(2) The failure of the Magistrates to take action when witnesses served fail to attend,

(3) The laxity permitted by Magistrates to defence pleaders,

(4) Section 256 of the Criminal Procedure Code,

(5) Section 526 (8) of the Criminal Procedure Code,

(6) The delay in preliminary inquiries and in committal proceedings,

(7) The paucity of Resident Magistrates.

These reasons to a great extent still continue. Practically they can be reduced to two headings—

(1) insufficiency of Magistrates and Police owing to financial stringency, and

(2) the Criminal Procedure Code of 1923, which gives great opportunity to wealthy accused persons to delay the disposal of cases.

Some amendments of the Criminal Procedure Code, particularly in sections 256 and 526 appear to be desirable.

Civil Justice.

22. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 38,029 as compared with 34,418 in 1927, *i.e.*, an increase of 3,611. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1927.	1928.
Hyderabad	...	...
Sukkur	3	1
Larkana	...	10
Court of the Judicial Commissiner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	882	776

23. The following table shows the nature of the suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1927 and 1928. Suits relating to immoveable property formed only 2·0 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1927 was 2·21 per cent :—

Nature.	1927.	1928.
Money or moveable property ...	30,998	34,615
Mortgage	967	932
Immoveable property	760	762

24. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,53,82,648-14-6 compared with Rs. 1,54,34,750-0-8 in 1927 and Rs. 1,34,77,998-8-7 in 1926.

25. The total number of suits disposed of was 38,005 as against 34,094 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1928 as compared with the year 1927 :—

Manner of disposal.	1927.	1928.
Without trial	6,562	6,751
By arbitration	2,512	2,485
Contested	4,963	6,476
Without contest	20,057	22,293

26. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 10,122 as against 9,486 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 857 as against 922.

27. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 331·16 and 99·29 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 310·01 and 166·11 days, respectively, in 1927. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of contested and uncontested suits was 152·50 and 80·29 days and in the Small Cause Courts it was 91·32 and 67·90 days, respectively.

28. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 1,982 as against 2,049 in 1927. The number disposed of was 1,396 as against 1,499 in 1927.

29. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases in the District Courts, including the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction), was 268·23 and 112·70 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commisioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction, it was 49·44 and 85 o days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts, the average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases was 185·89 and 141·79 days, while in the Small Cause Courts it was 43·98 and 143·43 days, respectively.

30. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 655 as against 808 in 1927. Of these 293 were disposed of as compared with 453 in 1927. The number of

Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1927.	1928.
Hyderabad	177	167
Sukkur	127	76
Larkana	147	44
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) ...	2	6

31. The average duration of contested and uncontested regular appeals in District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report was 403·80 and 191·49 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 198·76 and 38·36 days, respectively.

32. The number of Micellaneous Appeals for disposal before the Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District and High Court Jurisdiction) was 383 as against 283 in 1927. Of these 220 were disposed of as compared with 161 in the previous year. The number of Miscellaneous Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District	1927.	1928.
Hyderabad	33	146
Sukkur	45	31
Larkana	30	6
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	53	37

33. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous Appeals in the District Courts and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) was 80·72 and 51·5 days, and 171·09 and 18·54 days, respectively.

34. There were in all 28,945 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 27,241 in 1927. Of these 24,053 were disposed of as against 23,015 in 1927. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 14,43,217-6-2½ as compared with Rs. 16,39,959-0-4 in the year 1927. Moveable property was sold in 184 cases as against 135 in 1927, and attached but subsequently released in 301 as against 281 in 1927.

35. 279 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 287 in 1927. Out of 396 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 276 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 120. The number of insolvants discharged was 148 as against 102 in 1927. The orders of adjudication in respect of 32 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court decreased from 299 to 285.

36. There were 2 appeals filed under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review, which remained undisposed of at the close of the year. There were no references under section 27 of the Act.

37. At the opening of the year, 5 applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council were pending orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. Four new applications were filed during the year making a total of 9. Of these 3 were withdrawn, 1 was rejected and in 2 certificates were granted but eventually the certificate in one was revoked and the application struck off, as the applicant failed to give the required security within the time allowed by law. Three applications were pending at the close of the year.

38. Appendix D shows the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1927 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

GENERAL.

39 There has been a slight increase both in Civil and Criminal work in the year under report which, however, does not call for any particular comment.

40. The arrears of work, particularly Civil Appellate and Original, in the Judicial Commissioner's Court are still heavy. But to relieve the Court of some of the petty Civil work, the Karachi Small Cause Court with higher pecuniary jurisdiction to which reference was made in the last year's report, has now been established under the Karachi Small Cause Court Act (Bombay Act IV of 1929). The proposal to transfer the mofussil work of the Karachi District outside the Karachi Taluka to the Hyderabad Judicial District has been sanctioned by Government with effect from 1st December 1928, by creating a new district called the Tatta District and including it in the Hyderabad Judicial District and Hyderabad Sessions Division. These measures will relieve the Judicial Commissioner's Court to some extent.

41. As observed in the last year's Report, Government owing to financial stringency have again postponed the establishment of a Chief Court for Sind and the creation of the new Judicial District of Nawabshah.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

APPENDIX A.

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from previous year).	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	23,504	5,657	16,850	22	975
Hyderabad	7,722	2,197	3,932	315	1,278
Sukkur	9,683	4,883	3,392	13	1,395
Larkana	8,936	5,243	2,004	63	1,626
Nawabshah	4,238	2,339	1,111	5	783
Thar Parkar	2,468	1,473	547	35	413
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,437	1,992	920	4	521
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	34	1	29	...	4
Total ...	60,022	23,785	28,785	457	6,995

APPENDIX B.

District.	1926.				1927.				1928.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	30	29	296	289	38	30	314	323	45	39	314	315
Hyderabad ...	197	151	501	469	147	182	675	670	185	144	600	581
Sukkur	67	65	324	324	93	82	327	332	131	120	388	364
Larkana	65	69	200	204	98	103	226	233	91	80	331	330

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APPENDIX C.

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1926.	1927.		Arrears on 31st December 1927.	1928.		Arrears on 31st December 1928.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Criminal appeals	31	250	216	65	284	314	35
2	Confirmation cases	7	29	31	5	25	27	3
3	Reported cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	....	...	...	2	2	...
4	Reported cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	7	68	64	11	54	61	4
5	Criminal Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	1	...	1	...	1	...
6.	Criminal Revision Applications ...	19	156	136	39	151	174	16
7	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	30	31	...	17	17	...
8	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	6	55	55	6	47	52	1

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APPENDIX D.

HIGH COURT JURISDICTION.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1926.	1927.		Arrears on 31st December 1927.	1928.		Arrears on 31st December 1928.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed	Dispos of.	
I Appeals	196	90	86	200	83	33	250
II Appeals	76	60	43	93	54	26	121
Miscellaneous appeals ...	78	60	53	85	66	37	114
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	...	1	1	...	3	3	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	7	9	15	1	10	11	..
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	97	47	68	76	67	44	99
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	3	2	2	2	4	...
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	5	3	3	5	4	6	3
Applications under Order XLVI, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	2	2	3	1	1	1	1
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	1	2	1	2	1	...	3
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	21	29	24	26	31	23	34
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	..	3	3	...	...	...	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	...	3	3	...	5	5	...

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Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 25.—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1928.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks.
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges.		Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges (5).	District Magistrates (6).	Other Magistrates.		
				Stipendiary (3).	Honorary.						Stipendiary.	Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	*a*)	4	8 (*b*)	25 (*c*)	...	4	8	8 (*a*)	3 (*d*)	8	161	97 (*e*)	(*a*) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (*b*) 8 do both Civil and Criminal work. (*c*) 10 do both Civil and Criminal work. (*d*) First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges' powers do both Civil and Criminal work. (*e*) 27 Benches.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 5 Assistant Judges.

(3) Includes Judge, Small Cause Court, Karachi, First Class Sub-Judges, Second Class Sub-Judges and Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes 1 Magistrate exercising powers under section 30, Criminal Procedure Code.

(6) Includes the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26. (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	38,005	25,568	352	220	11,13,173	13,10,272*	
Criminal	38,016	549	2,732	312			

* This includes adjustment contributions, payment to Officers of other Provinces and foreign service payments.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the rent law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	26,597	...	...	...	...	...	726	182	837	1,132	2,877	29,474
Small Cause Courts ...	7,768	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	7,768
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	9	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	11
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	241	276	21	36	...	333	36	43	94	29	202	776
Total ...	34,615	276	21	36	...	333	762	225	932	1,162	3,081	38,029

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,204	11,515	5,618	7,396	1,217	1,053	347	124	29,474	1,27,46,729 9 3
Small Cause Courts	435	2,925	1,487	2,434	487	...	...	...	7,768	10,31,655 11 3
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	4	1	2	3	...	...	1	11	2,256 7 0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	11	47	69	56	73	354	88	78	776	16,02,007 3 0
Total ...	2,650	14,491	7,175	9,888	1,780	1,407	435	203	38,029	1,53,82,648 14 6

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.				Number of suits disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of suits.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial	Without contest.	With contest.					Average duration in days of contested suits.	Average duration in days of uncontested suits.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	On reference to arbitration					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	7,095	29,474	505	37,074	6,316	16,035	4,125	463	2,238	7,877	1,261	6 99,677 or 152·50	12,89,063 or 80·29	
Small Cause Courts	1,467	7,768	106	9,341	347	6,041	1,248	237	83	1,385	2	1,35,609 or 91·32	4,10,157 or 67·90	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	11	1	13	2	1	5	2	...	3	2	39 or 5·57	5 or 5·0	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	913	776	10	1,699	86	196	302	94	164	857	555	1,33,419 or 336·92	19,555 or 99·77	
Total ...	9,476	38,029	622	48,127	6,751	22,293	5,680	796	2,485	10,122	1,820	9,68,744 or 149·59	17,18,780 or 77·10	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	9,476*	38,029	622	48,127	6,751	22,293	5,680	796	2,485	10,122	1,820	9,68,744 or 149·59	17,18,780 or 77·10	

* Does not include 10 transferred suits.

M. DESOUZA,
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STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.				Number of cases disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested cases.	Average duration in days of uncontested cases.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges	180	446	3	629	100	191	74	31	2	231	61	19,518 or 185·89	27,082 or 141·79	
Small Cause Courts	19	61	...	80	23	7	12	33	...	5	...	1,979 or 43·98	1,004 or 143·43	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	212	440	6	658	108	222	71	71	...	186	30	41,993 or 295·73	31,067 or 139·94	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	28	352	...	380	275	63	18	...	...	24	1	924 or 51·33	1,053 or 16·71	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	111	124	...	235	35	10	21	29	...	140	59	2,472 or 49·44	850 or 85	
Total ...	550	1,423	9	1,982	541	493	196	164	2	586	151	66,886 or 185·79	61,056 or 123·85	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ..	550	1,423	9	1,982	541	493	196	164	2	586	151	66,886 or 185·79	61,056 or 123·85	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31 —(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals from decress.					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Total.	Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).							Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
				Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	349	300	649	69	114	39	45	20	362	149	88,105 or 411·71	13,979 or 191·49	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	6	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	730 or 121·67	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... 1st Appeals ...	200	83	283	16	13	2	1	1	250	176	4,386 or 258	621 or 38·81	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... 2nd Appeals ...	93	54	147	9	16	1	...	...	121	77	2,372 or 139·52	338 or 37·56	
Total ...	648	437	1,085	94	149	42	46	21	733	402	95,593 or 376·35	14,938 or 152·43	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	37	195	232	21	70	6	85	1	49	5	12,996 or 80·72	1,133 or 51·5	
Judicial Commissionner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	85	66	151	26	6	4	...	1	114	62	1,882 or 171·09	482 or 18·54	
Total ...	122	261	383	47	76	10	85	2	163	67	14,878 or 86·5	1,615 or 33·65	

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	6,684	9,162	3,742	4,495	94	...	831
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	1,503	2,057	1,299	534	7	1	216
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	13,663	26,658	13,751	7,125	471	426	4,885
Benches of Magistrates	15,738	21,088	4,481	15,815	...	3	789
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	82	155	33	118	...	.	4
Chief Magistrates of Districts	81	288	127	160	...	1	...
Courts of Session	467	1,171	351	509	19	25	266
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	34	1	29	..	...	4
Total ...	38,218	60,613	23,785	28,785	591	457	6,995

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	325	117	96	13	69	17	...	13
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction)	2,071	1,230	295	115	241	25	...	165
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	423	163	118	27	61	2	...	52
Total ...	2,819	1,510	509	155	371	44	...	230
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	73	37	...	...	...	36	..	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	276	276	...	...	...	87	..	75
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	203	171	119	9	43	8	...	22
Total ..	552	484	119	9	43	131	...	97
GRAND TOTAL ...	*3,371	1,994	628	164	414	175	..	327

* In applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 331 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

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STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	418	365	400	2,281	1,247	385	19	630	
By or relating to public servants.	41	32	36	47	13	15	...	19	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	159	152	177	247	85	110	2	50	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	304	265	309	440	179	129	15	117	
Relating to coin	16	16	17	26	6	13	1	6	
Relating to Government stamps.	3	3	3	7	...	1	3	3	
Relating to weights and measures	3	3	4	4	2	2	...	...	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	162	155	141	216	71	112	...	33	
Relating to religion ..	11	8	6	15	11	...	...	4	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	395	385	414	866	240	317	11	298	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children; exposure of infants and the concealment.	8	6	4	6	...	2	...	4	

Hurt	3,604	3,216	3,331	8,845	7,176	589	33	1,047
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	207	168	191	673	508	21	17	127
Criminal force and assault ...	473	386	395	980	741	106	10	123
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	236	176	194	611	282	119	1	209
Rape	22	19	20	47	15	10	5	17
Unnatural offence	62	53	58	72	18	39	...	15
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	2,182	1,943	1,608	2,578	751	1,373	25	429
Cattle theft	1,054	1,025	1,094	1,726	499	862	19	346
Extortion	24	20	20	28	6	13	...	9
Robbery and dacoity ...	126	94	103	427	112	190	3	122
Criminal misappropriation ...	389	321	358	621	478	36	4	103
Criminal breach of trust ...	396	288	347	440	235	94	4	107
Receiving stolen property ...	632	586	619	972	336	423	11	202
Cheating	798	660	704	1,083	735	93	38	217
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	32	28	31	103	45	17	...	41
Mischief	399	349	379	1,079	820	93	13	153
Criminal tresspass	875	787	832	1,905	1,286	322	24	273
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	41	39	43	63	33	8	1	21
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	678	560	608	2,358	1,638	34	87	599
Defamation	103	94	97	245	101	4	1	139
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance	876	730	762	1,768	1,495	70	1	202
Offences under special and local laws.	23,488	23,461	23,746	29,242	4,620	23,183	109	1,330
Total ...	38,218	36,394	37,052	60,022	23,785	28,785	457	6,995

M. DESOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	162	479	18	24
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	51	44	...	2
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	4,200	6,836	151	534
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	182	15,684	...	14
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	79	...	4	35
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	91	9	...	69
Courts of Session	...	...	57	435	84	2	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	24	24	5	...	...	..	...
Total ..	24	24	62	5,200	23,136	175	678

No. 36—(Criminal).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
239	240	12,191 5 0	9,598 2 0	752 8 0	22	93	47	...	
19	25	4,499 0 0	904 0 0	...	...	43	8	...	
4,526	2,310	1,93,186 0 7	1,29,089 2 0	12,512 7 0	575	1,996	1,628	4	
15,281	403	45,817 6 3	42,845 10 3	443 0 0	27	155	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	79	...	
...	9	2,975 0 0	917 6 9	50 0 0	...	...	30	61	
...	84	20,871 0 0	5,603 10 0	57 0 0	4	43	117	274	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
20,065	3,071	2,76,539 11 10	1,88,957 15 0	13,814 15 0	625	2,330	1,909	336	

M. DeSOUZA,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	144	581	1	...	1	...	303
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	231	104	127	105	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	793	560	233	220	...
Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, Small Causes.	...	...	1,819	1,645	174	92	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	678	524	154	123	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	478	404	74	37	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur Regular.	...	...	1,802	1,389	413	360	..
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur-Small Causes.	..	...	875	779	96	123	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas. Regular	...	...	2,161	1,54	620	336	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	871	737	134	69	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,487	1,244	243	382	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Ca uses.	...	...	791	734	57	128	...
Subordina te Court, Tatta, Regular.	...	...	1,582	1,200	382	277	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,328	1,117	211	157	...
Total ...	144	581	14,897	11,978	2,919	2,409	303
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	48	239	2	...	2	1	251
Court of Assistant Judge ...	56	81	...	...	...	...	...
Court of First Class Subordinate Judge with appellate powers and powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	16	..	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	103	49	54	42	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Regular	...	...	1,265	479	786	820	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Small Causes.	...	...	2,147	1,623	524	388	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	244	114	130	108	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Regular.	...	...	1,901	1,207	694	626	.
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,467	1,253	214	278	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,405	2,008	397	506	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,886	1,723	163	217	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	859	611	248	215	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	549	468	86	40	...
Total ...	120	320	12,828	9,530	8,298	3,241	251

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1928.

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
167	136	202	12	154	1	65	
...	...	...	57	31	50	...	
..	...	...	488	45	36	...	
..	...	...	906	5	1	...	
...	...	...	273	6	4	...	
..	...	...	184	...	...	...	
...	...	...	839	23	3	...	
...	...	...	338	...	...	...	
...	..	...	928	...	6	...	
...	...	...	332	...	...	...	
...	..	...	614	15	14	...	
...	...	...	300	...	1	...	
...	...	...	418	...	1	...	
...	...	...	545	...	...	...	
167	136	202	6,234	279	117	65	
58	175	124	4	134	1	78	
1	...	...	44	63	...	...	
17	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	46	10	23	...	
...	...	...	277	25	597	...	
...	..	...	936	11	37	...	
...	...	...	94	4	65	...	
...	...	...	954	51	160	...	
...	...	...	584	5	7	...	
...	...	...	1,267	29	13	...	
...	...	...	931	...	1	...	
...	...	..	473	23	14	...	
..	...	..	808	...	...	...	
76	175	124	5,918	356	918	78	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	3	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	41	235	10	...	...	...	95
Court of Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge.	39	95	...	10	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	89	47	42	43	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	3,746	2,851	895	745	...
Subordinate Court, Larkana, Small Causes.	...	...	1,132	993	139	120	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	1,906	1,664	242	232	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	561	534	27	38	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,167	932	235	216	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	...	...	751	668	83	53	...
Total ...	80	330	9,362	7,699	1,668	1,447	95
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	39	315	1,699	842	857	913	6
Court of Small Causes	...	...	9,341	7,956	1,385	1,467	...
Total ...	39	315	11,040	8,798	2,242	2,380	6
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	144	581	14,897	11,978	2,919	2,409	303
Sukkur	120	320	12,828	9,530	3,298	3,241	251
Larkana	80	330	9,362	7,699	1,663	1,447	95
Karachi	39	315	11,040	8,798	2,242	2,380	6
Total ...	383	1,546	48,127	38,005	10,122	9,477	655
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	430
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	430

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1928—*concld.*

Work.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
21	51	23	...	42	...	6	
23	...	...	8	78	...	...	
...	...	...	43	19	21	...	
...	...	...	1,449	13	174	...	
...	...	...	466	1	5	...	
...	...	...	974	14	3	...	
.	...	...	280	...	...	...	
...	...	...	553	21	15	...	
..	...	...	287	...	2	...	
44	51	23	4,060	188	220	6	
6	...	6	1,178	40	450	6	
...	...	...	6,663	75	2	...	
6	...	6	7,841	115	452	6	
167	136	202	6,234	279	117	65	
76	175	124	5,918	356	918	78	
44	51	23	4,060	188	220	6	
6	...	6	7,841	115	452	6	
293	362	355	24,053	938	1,707	155	
59	371	293	...	...	..	253	
59	371	293	...	...	...	253	

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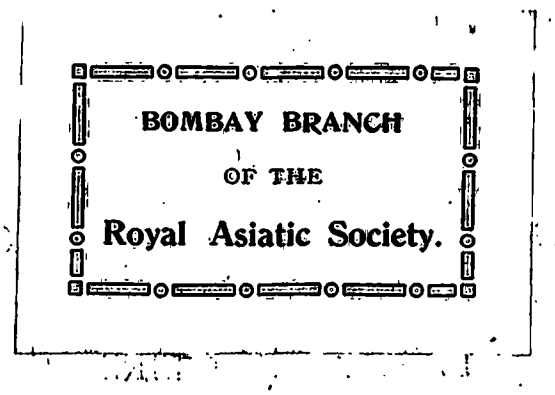
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COURT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND,

Karachi, 20th September 1930.

From

A. C. WILD, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

2. The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. C. WILD,

Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,279,377 according to the census of 1921.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner was presided over by Mr. P. E. Percival, C.I.E., I.C.S., from 1st January to 13th June and from 30th August to 31st December 1929 and by Mr. K. W. Barlee, I.C.S., from 14th June to 29th August 1929.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-law, from 1st January to 31st December 1929.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 3rd July 1929 and from 9th September to 31st December 1929.

(3) Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 1st January to 14th February 1929 and from 25th November to 31st December 1929.

(4) Mr. K. W. Barlee, I.C.S., from 15th February to 13th June 1929 and from 30th August to 24th November 1929.

(5) Mr. Kalumal Pahlumal, LL.B., from 21st June to 8th September 1929.

(6) Mr. C. M. Lobo, LL.B., from 4th July to 8th August 1929.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 15th May to 14th June 1929.

5. There were on 31st December 1929 :—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

8 District Magistrates including the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

158 Stipendiary Magistrates.

32 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 23 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 130 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1929:—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

16 Second Class Sub-Judges including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges.

7. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Court of Tatta; the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Courts of Shikarpur and Jacobabad; and the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Courts of Mehar and Sehwan.

8. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province. Certain sections of the Act, however, are not working satisfactorily, and some amendments in the Act appear to be desirable.

9. The District Judge, Sukkur, assembled a Judicial Conference of Judicial Officers and Pleaders of the district and several points relating to the practice and procedure of Civil Courts were discussed.

Criminal Justice.

10. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 40,395 and 38,881 respectively, and show an increase of 2,177 and 2,487 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 38,218 and 36,394, respectively.

11. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 37,052 to 39,667 and in the number of persons remaining under trial from 60,022 to 60,891. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report decreased from 6,995 to 6,951. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner was 61,563.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1928 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1928	60,613	23,785	28,785
1929	61,563	23,163	30,429
	+ 950	— 622	+ 1,644

12. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1929 as contrasted with those in 1928 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1928 ...	24	62	5,200	23,136	175	678
1929 ...	19	67	4,319	24,456	578	1,242

The fines in 1929 amounted to Rs. 2,39,470-8-5 as against Rs. 2,76,539-11-10 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1929 amounted to Rs. 10,585-8-0 as against Rs. 13,814-15-0.

13. Particulars as to the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The large number of acquittals or discharges compared with that of convictions is due to the fact that a number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

14. The work done by the various Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

15. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 395 to 376 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women.

16. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the public tranquility.
(2) By or relating to public servants.
(3) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
(4) Relating to coin.
(5) Relating to Government stamps.
(6) Relating to weights and measures.
(7) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
(8) Rape.
(9) Unnatural offence.
(10) Cattle theft.
(11) Robbery and dacoity.
(12) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
(13) Defamation.
(14) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.
(15) Offences under Special and Local Laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) False evidence and offences against public justice.
(2) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.
(3) Affecting life.
(4) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.
(5) Hurt.
(6) Criminal force and assault.
(7) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced Labour.
(8) Theft ordinary.
(9) Extortion.
(10) Criminal misappropriation.
(11) Criminal breach of trust.
(12) Receiving stolen property.
(13) Cheating.
(14) Mischief.
(15) Criminal trespass.
(16) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.
(17) Relating to marriage.

17. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,838 that is 249 more than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 2,150 cases and were reversed or varied in 648. The sentences were maintained intact in 75·75 per cent. of appeals against 77·98 per cent. in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed:—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	509
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	1,946
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	383

The Criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, the Sessions Courts and the Courts of Magistrates show an increase of 12, 40 and 197, respectively.

18. During the year under report the cases of 213 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 327 persons and the District Magistrates 47. The principal results of this revision were that sentences of 30 persons were reversed, of 29 persons altered and of 92 persons were otherwise disposed of.

19. The Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1928 and the arrears at the end of the year is shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 41 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 19 the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 7 it was commuted to that of transportation for life; in the case of 3 the conviction and sentence was reversed and the accused acquitted; in the case of 1 the conviction was altered to one under section 201, Indian Penal Code, and the accused sentenced to 7 years' rigorous imprisonment and the cases of 11 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

20. The total number of civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 38,969 as compared with 38,029 in 1928.

The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1928.	1929.
Hyderabad	...	8
Sukkur	1	...
Larkana	10	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	776	524

21. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1928 and 1929. Suits relating to immoveable property formed 1·74 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1928 was 2·0 per cent. :—

Nature.	1928.	1929.
Money or moveable property ...	34,615	35,891
Mortgage	932	863
Immoveable property	762	679

22. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,61,13,846-14-10 as compared with Rs. 1,53,82,648-14-6 in 1928 and Rs. 1,54,34,750-0-8 in 1927.

23. The total number of suits disposed of was 38,834 as against 38,005 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1929 as compared with the year 1928 :—

Manner of disposal.	1928	1929.
Without trial	6,751	7,642
By arbitration	2,485	2,068
Contested	6,476	7,004
Without contest	22,293	22,120

24. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 11,088 as against 10,122 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 656 as against 857.

25. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 423 and 195 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 331 and 99 days, respectively, in 1928. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of contested and uncontested suits was 169 and 76 days and in the Karachi Small Causes Court it was 90 and 47 days, respectively.

26. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 1905 as against 1982 in 1928. The number disposed of was 1346 as against 1396 in 1928.

27. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases in the District Courts, including the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction), was 99 and 100 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 17 and 8 days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts, the average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases was 259 and 118 days, while in the Small Cause Courts it was 108 and 207 days, respectively.

28. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 641 as against 655 in 1928. Of these 247 were disposed of as compared with 293 in 1928. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1928.	1929.
Hyderabad	167	107
Sukkur	76	98
Larkana	44	42
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	6	...

29. The average duration of contested and uncontested regular appeals in District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report was 465 and 192 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 29 and 11 days, respectively.

30. The number of Miscellaneous Appeals for disposal before the Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and High Court Jurisdiction) was 316 as against 383 in 1928. Of these 161 were disposed of as compared with 220 in the previous year. The number of Miscellaneous Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1928.	1929.
Hyderabad	146	58
Sukkur	31	24
Larkana	6	7
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	...	6
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	37	66

31. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous Appeals in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) was 156 and 105 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 28 and 6 days, respectively.

32. There were in all 29,819 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 28,945 in 1928. Of these 24,519 were disposed of as against 24,053 in 1928. The amount realised in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 16,48,012-10-4½ as compared with Rs. 14,43,217-6-2½ in the year 1928. Moveable property was sold in 229 cases as against 184 in 1928, and attached but subsequently released in 341 as against 301 in 1928.

33. 281 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 279 in 1928. Out of 402 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 281 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 121. The number of insolvents discharged was 96 as against 148 in 1928. The orders of adjudication in respect of 26 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 285.

34. There were no references made under section 27 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review. Two appeals under section 30 of the Act, which were pending from the preceding year, were disposed of and none were filed during the year 1929.

35. At the opening of the year 3 applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council were pending orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. Two new applications were filed during the year making a total of 5. Of these 2 were dismissed, 2 were withdrawn and 1 application was pending at the close of the year.

36. Appendix D shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1928 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

GENERAL.

37. There has been a slight increase both in the Civil and Criminal work in the year under report which however does not call for any comment.

38. As observed in the last year's Report, Government owing to financial stringency have again postponed the establishment of a Chief Court for Sind and the creation of the new Judicial District of Nawabshah.

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Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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APPENDIX A.

Showing the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including the persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) :—

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	26,367	5,965	19,387	44	971
Hyderabad	8,291	2,337	3,969	233	1,752
Sukkur	8,760	4,627	3,147	24	962
Larkana	7,926	5,106	1,613	21	1,186
Nawabshah	3,883	2,078	1,009	12	784
Thar Parkar	2,331	1,383	417	1	530
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,292	1,664	860	13	755
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	41	3	27	...	11
Total ...	60,891	23,163	30,429	348	6,951

APPENDIX B.

Showing the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years :—

District.	1927.				1928.				1929.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	38	30	314	323	45	39	314	315	20	29	178	188
Hyderabad ...	147	182	675	670	185	144	600	581	234	229	683	668
Sukkur	93	82	327	332	131	120	388	364	111	121	414	447
Larkana	98	103	226	233	91	80	331	330	89	89	392	384

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APPENDIX C.

Showing the Criminal Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1927.	1928		Arrears on 31st December 1928.	1929.		Arrears on 31st December 1929.
			Filed.	Disposed of		Filed.	Disposed of	
1	Criminal Appeals	65	284	314	35	313	290	58
2	Confirmation Cases	5	25	27	3	24	20	7
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	2	2	...	2	2	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	11	54	61	4	39	39	4
5	Criminal Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
6	Criminal Revision Applications ...	39	151	174	16	122	129	9
7	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	17	17	...	13	13	...
8	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	6	47	52	1	49	47	3

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APPENDIX D.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1927.	1928.		Arrears on 31st December 1928.	1929.		Arrears on 31st December 1929.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	200	83	33	250	70	95	225
II Appeals	93	54	26	121	26	54	93
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	85	66	37	114	37	66	85
Applications under sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	...	3	3	...	15	10	5
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	1	10	11	..	...	...	...
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	76	67	44	99	34	64	69
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	2	2	4	...	2	2	...
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	5	4	6	3	2	4	1
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	1	1	1	1	2	...
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	2	1	...	3	...	2	1
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	26	31	23	34	51	38	52
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	...	...	...	...	7	4	3
Applications under Act XI of 1922.	...	...	...	...	7	2	5
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	...	5	5	...	11	8	3
Applications under Act IV of 1929.		...	...	...	3	3	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	...	5	5	...	4	3	1

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STATEMENT No.-25.—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1929.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks.
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges.		Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges.	District Magistrates (5).	Other Magistrates.		
				Stipendiary (3).	Honorary.						Stipendiary.	Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	4 (a)	4	8 (b)	21 (c)	...	4	8	7 (a)	2 (d)	8	158 (e)	55 (f)	(a) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (b) 7 do both Civil and Criminal work. (c) 10 do both Civil and Criminal work. (d) First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges' powers; they do both Civil and Criminal work. (e) 8 do both Civil and Criminal work. (f) Includes 23 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 4 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Sub-Judges, 9 Second Class Sub-Judges, 3 Joint Sub-Judges, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26. (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sind—					Rs.	Rs.	
Civil	38,834	25,931	396	161	...*	...*	
Criminal	37,314	396	2,361	340			

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	27,028	...	...	...	...	...	658	216	851	1,079	2,804	29,832
Small Cause Courts ...	8,605	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	8,605
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	3	8
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	253	118	..	..	...	118	21	2	12	118	153	524
Total ...	35,891	118	...	...	...	118	679	219	863	1,199	2,960	38,969

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STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,063	11,799	5,839	7,575	1,207	950	269	130	29,832	1,32,73,140 15 8
Small Cause Courts	576	3,408	1,672	2,400	422	127	...	...	8,605	11,13,442 12 3
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	...	...	2	2	1	2	...	8	12,949 3 9
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	16	45	136	34	193	69	29	524	17,14,313 15 2
Total ...	2,642	15,223	7,556	10,113	1,665	1,271	340	159	38,969	1,61,13,846 14 10

G. V. UTAMSINGH,
Offg. Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.				Number of suits disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of suits.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration			Average duration in days of contested suits.	Average duration in days of uncontested suits.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	7,877	29,805	735	38,417	7,033	15,529	4,847	518	1,899	8,591	885	169	76	
Small Cause Courts	1,385	8,605	125	10,115	479	6,271	1,283	160	83	1,839	1	90	47	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	3	1	...	4	...	1	...	1	...	2	2	1,918	1	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	857	523	6	1,386	130	319	161	31	86	656	371	415	196	
Total ...	10,122	38,934	866	49,922	7,642	22,120	6,294	710	2,068	11,088	1,259	160	69	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	10,122	38,934*	866	49,922	7,642	22,120	6,294	710	2,068	11,088	1,259	160	69	

* Does not include 35 transferred suits.

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STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.				Number of cases disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested cases.	Average duration in days of uncontested cases.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges	231	418	7	656	90	243	92	29	3	199	60	259	118	
Small Cause Courts	5	56	...	61	11	8	21	3	...	18	...	108	207	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	186	275	8	469	134	149	5	41	...	140	56	117	131	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	75	378	...	453	270	64	40	13	1	65	22	84	27	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	140	126	...	266	32	26	37	34	...	137	82	17	8	
Total ...	637	1,253	15	1,905	537	490	195	120	4	559	220	143	106	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	637	1,253	15	1,905	537	490	195	120	4	559	220	143	106	

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STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	362	279	641	46	108	24	52	17	394	184	465	192	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... — 1st Appeals ...	250	70	320	24	37	18	13	3	225	159	24	11	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... — 2nd Appeals ...	121	26	147	18	31	4	1	...	93	79	40	11	
Total ...	733	375	1,108	88	176	46	66	20	712	422	312	109	

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Offg. Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	49	108	157	19	32	1	33	4	68	14	158	105	
Judicial Commissionner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	5	3	8	...	4	...	2	...	2	...	135	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	114	37	151	24	25	5	9	3	85	63	28	6	
Total ...	168	148	316	43	61	6	44	7	155	77	108	55	

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Offg. Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	3,145	5,644	3,317	2,166	6	2	153
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	349	825	504	139	8	3	171
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	21,247	32,996	14,389	13,361	629	333	4,284
Benches of Magistrates	14,948	20,197	4,277	13,822	...	8	2,090
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	74	296	174	121	..	.	2
Chief Magistrates of Districts	92	257	96	160	...	...	1
Courts of Session	540	1,307	403	633	29	2	240
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	..	41	3	27	..	...	11
Total ...	40,395	61,563	23,163	30,429	672	348	6,951

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STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	526	243	159	33	56	18	...	17
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	2,107	1,217	266	204	238	21	...	161
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	466	158	107	60	57	1	...	83
Total ...	3,099	1,618	532	297	351	40	...	261
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	47	29	...	...	...	18	...	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	392	404	...	...	...	64	..	65
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	233	119	72	29	30	10	1	20
Total ...	672	552	72	29	30	92	1	85
GRAND TOTAL ...	*3,771	2,170	604	326	381	132	1	346

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 189 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

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STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons.					Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Against the State	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	
Against the public tranquility ...	462	415	458	2,392	1,188	652	10	542	
By or relating to public servants.	59	58	65	85	31	38	6	10	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	222	218	237	304	116	92	4	92	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	246	227	255	387	143	115	7	122	
Relating to coin	18	18	16	25	5	14	...	6	
Relating to Government stamps.	4	3	4	18	1	2	...	15	
Relating to weights and measures	34	31	29	37	7	27	1	2	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	87	84	87	138	55	66	1	16	
Relating to religion ..	11	11	11	19	4	11	2	2	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	376	363	397	795	278	259	16	242	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	5	4	5	19	8	1	2	8	

Hurt	3,280	2,969	3,059	8,296	6,539	701	37	1,019
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	253	220	247	777	674	19	...	84
Criminal force and assault ...	392	358	381	788	564	86	2	136
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	204	174	192	635	248	130	12	245
Rape	32	32	33	63	40	13	...	10
Unnatural offence	72	65	71	106	34	55	1	16
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	1,582	1,462	1,381	2,879	861	1,575	20	423
Cattle theft ...	1,092	1,031	1,119	1,782	524	877	20	361
Extortion	19	15	21	34	14	3	2	15
Robbery and dacoity ...	175	156	169	371	167	131	...	73
Criminal misappropriation ...	321	274	300	492	421	31	1	39
Criminal breach of trust ...	331	253	268	461	257	76	18	110
Receiving stolen property ...	501	481	514	820	295	350	14	161
Cheating	700	547	615	1,039	686	53	36	264
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	36	33	35	147	119	3	4	21
Mischief	360	322	332	992	757	91	...	144
Criminal tresspass	827	765	777	1,930	1,330	291	26	283
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	27	26	25	54	17	18	...	19
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	1	1	1	2	2	...	...	..
Relating to marriage ...	631	506	585	2,334	1,772	46	25	491
Defamation	110	92	107	276	186	40	...	50
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	906	737	759	1,776	1,401	97	2	276
Offences under special and local laws.	27,019	26,930	27,112	30,618	4,419	24,466	79	1,654
Total ...	40,395	38,881	39,667	60,891	23,163	30,429	348	6,951

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STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	117	394	183	19
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	41	93	...	7
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	....	3,304	6,130	392	1,045
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	172	17,764	...	6
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	107	...	1	13
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	74	16	4	86
Courts of Session	...	...	60	506	59	1	66
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	19	19	7	1	...	...	...
Total ...	19	19	67	4,319	24,456	578	1,242

No. 36—(Criminal).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
253	141	8,527 9 7	6,270 8 6	479 6 0	13	94	10	...	
45	48	3,048 0 0	2,632 0 0	12 0 0	9	23	9	...	
3,980	2,150	1,65,469 15 5	1,21,912 13 10	7,549 2 0	365	1,293	1,646	...	
12,239	525	44,682 15 5	38,392 4 0	1,768 0 0	10	162	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	....	2	105	...	
...	16	3,900 0 0	1,450 0 0	...	...	4	42	25	
2	57	13,842 0 0	6,783 6 0	777 0 0	6	43	165	802	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	
21,519	2,937	2,39,470 8 5	1,77,380 14 4	10,585 8 0	403	1,621	1,967	328	

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Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge,	229	668	2	1	1	1	233
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	238	76	162	127	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	922	567	355	238	...
Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, Small Causes.	...	...	2,115	1,803	312	174	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	858	632	226	154	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	530	478	52	74	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	2,256	1,840	416	413	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,073	965	108	96	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	2,252	1,529	723	620	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	954	852	102	134	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,215	1,005	210	243	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	551	475	76	57	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular.	...	...	1,783	1,251	532	382	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,572	1,247	325	211	...
Total ...	229	668	16,321	12,721	3,600	2,919	233
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	121	374	2	1	1	2	300
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	..	112	73	39	54	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Regular	...	...	1,231	1,015	216	786	...
Subordinate Court, Sukkur, Small Causes.	...	...	2,346	2,008	338	524	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	206	95	111	130	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Regular.	...	...	1,883	1,250	633	694	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,242	991	251	214	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,114	1,535	579	397	..
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,653	1,323	330	163	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	850	574	276	248	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	655	500	155	86	...
Total ...	121	374	12,294	9,365	2,929	3,298	300

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1929.

WORK.							
Appellate.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeal pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
107	126	136	15	116	1	52	
...	...	...	67	54	92	...	
...	...	...	452	54	52	...	
	...	...	1,054	12	7	...	
...	...	...	301	24	8	...	
..	...	...	173	...	...	...	
...	...	...	934	12	6	...	
...	...	...	411	...	...	...	
...	..	...	920	33	45	...	
...	...	...	333	..	...	...	
...	..	...	528	24	18	...	
...	...	...	234	1	1	...	
...	...	...	565	7	5	...	
...	...	...	660	...	...	...	
107	126	136	6,647	337	235	52	
98	202	175	32	177	1	115	
...	...	...	64	4	23	...	
...	...	...	246	30	43	...	
...	...	...	1,149	5	14	...	
...	...	...	120	43	78	...	
...	...	...	920	46	158	...	
...	...	...	601	18	10	...	
...	...	...	1,130	27	11	...	
...	...	...	786	3	5	...	
...	...	...	346	21	34	...	
..	...	...	299	1	...	..	
98	202	175	5,693	375	377	115	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	3	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	89	384	...	...	...	...	108
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	86	45	41	42	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	3,619	2,609	1,010	895	...
Subordinate Court, Larkana, Small Causes.	...	..	1,216	1,052	164	139	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,397	2,051	346	242	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	612	537	75	27	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,150	849	301	235	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	..	...	726	599	127	83	...
Total ...	89	384	9,806	7,742	2,064	1,663	108
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	20	188	1,386	730	656	857	...
Court of Small Causes	...	...	10,115	8,276	1,839	1,385	...
Total ...	20	188	11,501	9,006	2,495	2,242	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	229	668	16,321	12,721	3,600	2,919	233
Sukkur	121	374	12,294	9,365	2,929	3,298	800
Larkana	89	384	9,806	7,742	2,064	1,663	108
Karachi	20	188	11,501	9,006	2,495	2,242	...
Total ...	459	1,614	49,922	38,834	11,088	10,122	641
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	467
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	467

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1929—*concld.*

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
42	66	51	6	36	...	29	
...	...	...	45	14	17	...	
...	...	...	1,395	28	237	...	
...	...	...	585	2	...	...	
...	...	...	956	14	1	...	
...	...	...	279	1	...	...	
	...	...	528	24	20	...	
...	...	...	324	...	...	...	
42	66	51	4,118	119	275	29	
...	...	...	1,031	388	371	...	
...	...	...	7,030	43	1	...	
...	...	...	8,061	431	372	...	
107	126	136	6,647	337	235	52	
98	202	175	5,693	375	377	115	
42	66	51	4,118	119	275	29	
...	...	...	8,061	431	372	...	
247	394	362	24,519	1,262	1,259	196	
149	318	371	...	...	...	238	
149	318	371	...	...	...	238	

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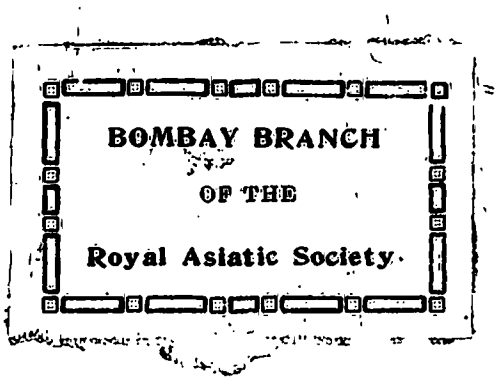
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HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

R. B. MILNE,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,885,308 according to the Census of 1931.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner was presided over by Mr. P.E. Percival, C.I.E., I.C.S., from 1st January to 1st May 1930 and by Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 2nd May to 31st December 1930.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-law, from 1st January to 6th February 1930.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1930.

(3) Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 1st January to 1st May 1930.

(4) Mr. M. A. Havelivala, Bar.-at-law, from 7th February to 31st December 1930.

(5) Mr. R. B. Milne, I.C.S., from 3rd June to 31st December 1930.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 12th May to 11th June 1930.

5. There were on 31st December 1930 :—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

8 District Magistrates, including the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

160 Stipendiary Magistrates.

28 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 16 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 89 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1930:—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

17 Second Class Sub-Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 temporary Second Class Sub-Judge.

7. The annual cold weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in December 1930 and January 1931 by the Judicial Commissioner. He inspected the District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Sub-Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana and the First Class Sub-Court, Shikarpur; the Courts of the Sub-Judges of Mehar, Naushahro Feroze, Shahdadpur, Tando Muhammad Khan and Mirpurkhas; the Court of the Sub-Judge, Rohri from Sukkur; the Courts of the Sub-Judges and First Class Magistrates of Sehwan, Jacobabad and Tatta; the City Magistrates' Courts of Shikarpur, Sukkur and Hyderabad; the Additional City Magistrate's Court, Hyderabad; the First Class Magistrates' Courts of Sehwan, Larkana, Jacobabad, Shikarpur, Sukkur, Hyderabad, Naushahro Feroze, Shahdadpur, Tando Muhammad Khan, Mirpurkhas and Tatta; and the Courts of the Resident Magistrates of Mehar, Larkana, Rohri, Naushahro Feroze and Tando Muhammad Khan.

8. The District Judge and the Assistant Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Tando Muhammad Khan and Mirpurkhas, respectively; the District Judge and the Assistant Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Shikarpur, Jacobabad, Sukkur and Rohri, respectively; and the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Mehar.

9. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province. Certain sections of the Act, however, are not working satisfactorily, and some amendments in the Act appear to be desirable.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

10. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 36,820 and 35,626, respectively, and show a decrease of 3,575 and 3,255 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 40,395 and 38,881, respectively.

11. There was a corresponding decrease in the number of cases brought to trial from 39,667 to 37,817. There was an increase in the number of persons under trial from 60,891 to 63,984. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report fell from 6,951 to 6,688. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner was 64,322.

The following table exhibits the number of persons acquitted and convicted as contrasted with the figures of 1929 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1929	61,563	23,163	30,429
1930	64,322	26,088	30,987
	+ 2,759	+ 2,925	+ 558

12. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1930 as contrasted with those in 1929 :—

Year.	Death.	Trans-portation.	Imprison-ment.	Fine.	Whipp-ing.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1929 ...	19	67	4,319	24,456	578	1,242
1930 ...	22	84	6,527	23,871	281	670

The fines in 1930 amounted to Rs. 2,65,357-6-1 as against Rs. 2,39,470-8-5 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1930 amounted to Rs. 22,203-14-9 as against Rs. 10,585-8-0.

13. Particulars of the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The large number of acquittals or discharges compared with that of convictions is due to the fact that a number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

14. The work done by the various Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

15. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 376 to 367 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. In the Upper Sind Frontier district 51 cases of murder and culpable homicide not amounting to murder were tried under the Sind Frontier Regulation III of 1892. Out of these in 34 cases the motive was connected with women.

16. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the State.

(2) Relating to the Army and Navy.

(3) By or relating to public servants.

(4) Relating to coin.

(5) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(6) Extortion.

(7) Robbery and dacoity.

(8) Criminal misappropriation.

(9) Criminal breach of trust.

(10) Receiving stolen property.

(11) Cheating.

(12) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(13) Criminal trespass.

(14) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(15) Relating to marriage.

(16) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the public tranquility.

(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(4) Relating to Government stamps.

(5) Relating to weights and measures.

(6) Relating to religion.

(7) Affecting life.

(8) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.

(9) Hurt.

(10) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(11) Criminal force and assault.

(12) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(13) Rape.

(14) Unnatural offence.

(15) Theft ordinary.

(16) Cattle theft.

(17) Mischief.

(18) Defamation.

(19) Offences under Special and Local Laws.

17. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,824, that is, 14 less than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 2,147 cases and were reversed or varied in 633. The sentences were maintained intact in 76 per cent. of appeals against 75·75 per cent. in the previous year.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	328
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court).	2,112
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	384

The criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind and the Sessions Courts show an increase of 1 and 166, respectively, and those in the Courts of Magistrates show a decrease of 181.

18. During the year under report the cases of 194 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 200 persons and the District Magistrates of 23. The principal results of this revision were that the sentences of 29 persons were reversed, of 6 persons altered, and the cases of 112 persons were otherwise disposed of.

19. The criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1929 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 40 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 22 the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 8 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life; in the case of 2 the conviction and sentence was reversed and the accused were acquitted; and the cases of 8 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

20. The total number of civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 41,546 as compared with 38,969 in 1929. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was :—

District.	1929.	1930.
Hyderabad	8	5
Sukkur	...	...
Larkana	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	524	395

21. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1929 and 1930. Suits relating to immoveable property formed 1·73 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1929 was 1·74.

Nature.	1929.	1930.
Money or moveable property ...	35,891	37,104
Mortgage	863	852
Immoveable property	679	719

22. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,51,50,915-1-10½ as compared with Rs. 1,61,13,846-14-10 in 1929 and Rs. 1,53,82,648-14-6 in 1928.

23. The total number of suits disposed of was 41,487 as against 38,834 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1930 as compared with the year 1929 :—

Manner of disposal.	1929.	1930.
Without trial	7,642	7,876
By arbitration	2,068	2,505
Contested	7,004	6,118
Without contest	22,120	24,988

24. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 12,104 as against 11,088 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 481 as against 656.

25. The average duration of constested and uncontested suits in the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 507 and 108 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 423 and

195 days, respectively, in 1929. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of contested and uncontested suits was 147 and 70 days and in the Karachi Small Causes Court it was 130 and 54 days, respectively.

26. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,541 as against 1,905 in 1929. The number disposed of was 1,762 as against 1,346 in 1929.

27. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases in the District Courts, including the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction), was 164 and 67 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 962 and 78 days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases was 161 and 71 days, while in the Small Cause Courts it was 214 and 73 days, respectively.

28. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts was 711 as against 641 in 1929. Of these 273 were disposed of as compared with 247 in 1929. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1929.	1930.
Hyderabad	107	99
Sukkur	98	130
Larkana	42	44

29. The average duration of contested and uncontested regular appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 481 and 154 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 1,230, and 29 days, respectively.

30. The number of Miscellaneous Appeals for disposal before the Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and High Court Jurisdiction) was 298 as against 316 in 1929. Of these 161 were disposed of and the number disposed of in the previous year was the same. The number of

Miscellaneous Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1929.	1930.
Hyderabad	58	35
Sukkur	24	37
Larkana	7	16
Judicial Commissioner's Court—		
District Court Jurisdiction ...	6	2
High Court Jurisdiction ...	66	71

31. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous Appeals in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) was 225 and 108 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 997 and 18 days, respectively.

The high average duration appearing against the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind both in its District and High Court Jurisdictions is due to special efforts having been made to dispose of old cases and appeals and many old cases and appeals having been disposed of during the year under report.

32. There were in all 35,002 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 29,819 in 1929. Of these 27,543 were disposed of as against 24,519 in 1929. The amount realized in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 19,12,697-5-4 as compared with Rs. 16,48,012-10-4½ in the year 1929. Moveable property was sold in 216 cases as against 229 in 1929, and attached but subsequently released in 333 as against 341 in 1929.

33. 376 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 281 in 1929 Out of 497 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 321 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 176. The number of insolvents discharged was 152 as against 96 in 1929. The orders of adjudication in respect of 28 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 249.

34. During the year under report there were no references made nor appeals filed under sections 27 and 30, respectively, of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923.

35. At the opening of the year 1 application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council was pending for orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. Eight new applications were filed during the year making a total of 9. Of these 4 were dismissed, and 5 applications were pending at the close of the year.

36. Appendix D shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1929 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

GENERAL.

37. There has been a slight increase in the civil work and a slight decrease in the criminal work in the year under report, which however does not call for any comment.

38. As observed in the last year's report, Government owing to financial stringency have again postponed the establishment of a Chief Court for Sind and the creation of a new Judicial District of Nawabshah.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

APPENDIX A.

Showing the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) :—

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	23,807	5,695	17,177	...	935
Hyderabad	10,844	4,190	5,567	123	964
Sukkur	9,841	4,403	3,317	39	2,082
Larkana	7,990	5,161	1,690	19	1,120
Nawabshah	4,414	2,712	1,010	9	683
Thar Parkar	2,672	1,639	624	20	389
Upper Sind Frontier ...	4,376	2,286	1,572	11	507
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	40	2	30	...	8
Total ...	63,984	26,088	30,987	221	6,688.

APPENDIX B.

Showing the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years :—

District.	1928.				1929.				1930.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	45	39	314	315	20	29	178	188	23	22	173	164
Hyderabad ...	185	144	600	581	234	229	683	668	199	208	915	937
Sukkur	131	120	388	364	111	121	414	447	105	113	409	353
Larkana	91	80	331	330	89	89	392	384	93	96	383	382

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APPENDIX C.

Showing the Criminal Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1928.	1929.		Arrears on 31st December 1929.	1930.		Arrears on 31st December 1930.
			Filed.	Disposed of		Filed.	Disposed of	
1	Criminal Appeals	35	313	290	58	269	291	36
2	Confirmation Cases	3	24	20	7	22	22	7
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	2	2	...	2	2	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	4	39	39	4	39	36	7
5	Criminal Revision Applications ...	16	122	129	9	133	124	18
6	Criminal Applications, section 498. Criminal Procedure Code.	...	13	13	...	16	16	...
7	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	49	47	3	39	35	7

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APPENDIX D.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1928.	1929. Filed	1929. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1929.	1930. Filed.	1930. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1930.
I Appeals	250	70	95	225	65	145	145
II Appeals	121	26	54	93	29	85	37
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	114	37	66	85	45	71	59
Applications under sections 23 and 24, Civil Procedure Code.	...	15	10	5	15	18	2
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	99	34	64	69	72	86	55
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	..	2	2	...	6	5	1
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	3	2	4	1	8	4	5
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	1	2	...	2	2	...
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	3	...	2	1	3	2	2
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	34	51	33	52	23	40	35
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	...	7	4	3	8	3	8
Applications under Act XI of 1922.	...	7	2	5	6	4	7
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	..	11	8	3	4	6	1
Applications under Act IV of 1929.	...	3	3	...	1	1	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	...	4	3	1	4	2	3

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STATEMENT No. 25.—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1930.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges. Stipendiary (3).	Other Judges. Honorary.	Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges (5).	District Magistrates (6).	Other Magistrates. Stipendiary.	Other Magistrates. Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	4 (a)	4	8 (b)	22 (c)	...	4	8	7 (a)	4 (d)	8	160 (e)	44 (f)	(a) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (b) 7 do both Civil and Criminal work. (c) 10 do both Civil and Criminal work. (d) 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges powers, they do both Civil and Criminal work. (e) 8 do both Civil and Criminal work. (f) Includes 16 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 4 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Sub-Judges, 9 Second Class Sub-Judges, 4 Joint Sub-Judges, including 1 temporary Sub-Judge, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes 2 Special Magistrates exercising powers under section 30, Criminal Procedure Code.

(6) Includes the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26. (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	41,487	29,626	503	161	...*	...*	
Criminal	17,857	265	2,111	199			

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	29,686	..	...	...	...	...	696	232	831	1,450	3,209	32,895
Small Cause Court ...	7,213	865	..	173	.	1,038	...	..	...	...	...	8,251
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	...	...	...	..	...	1	3	...	...	4	5
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	204	28	..	...	.	28	22	2	21	118	163	395
Total ...	37,104	893	...	173	...	1,066	719	237	852	1,568	3,376	41,546

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STATEMENT No. 28—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,566	12,663	6,618	8,098	1,328	1,127	325	170	32,895	1,22,56,122 13 3½
Small Cause Courts	456	3,247	1,603	2,298	409	238	...	...	8,251	13,33,924 11 1
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	1	1	1	...	...	2	...	5	50,740 13 9
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3	9	18	100	20	140	73	32	395	15,10,126 11 9
Total ...	3,025	15,920	8,240	10,497	1,757	1,505	400	202	41,546	1,51,50,915 1 10½

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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.				Number of suits disposed of, excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of suits.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.					Average duration in days of contested suits.	Average duration in days of uncontested suits.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	On reference to arbitration.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	8,591	32,895	824	42,310	7,506	18,243	4,069	579	2,297	9,616	833	147	70	
Small Cause Courts	1,839	8,251	127	10,217	308	6,569	969	235	131	2,005	6	130	54	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	656	395	11	1,062	62	176	229	37	77	481	409	507†	108	
Total ...	11,088	41,541	962	53,591	7,876	24,988	5,267	851	2,505	12,104	1,250	159	66	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	11,088	*41,541	962	53,591	7,876	24,988	5,267	851	2,505	12,104	1,250	159	66	

*Does not include 5 transferred suits.

†The high average duration is due to some old cases having been disposed of during the year under report.

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Registrar, Court of the Judical Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.				Number of cases disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested cases.	Average duration in days of uncontested cases.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges	264	857	3	1,124	147	356	122	53	4	442	87	161	71	
Small Cause Courts	18	15	...	33	3	9	12	3	...	6	...	214	73	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	140	291	2	433	120	132	29	30	...	122	23	281	110	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	65	601	...	666	491	53	13	16	3	90	26	177	42	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	137	148	...	285	73	8	34	50	1	119	59	962*	78	
Total ...	624	1,912	5	2,541	834	558	210	152	8	779	195	370	78	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	
GRAND TOTAL ...	624	1,912	5	2,541	834	558	210	152	8	779	195	370	78	

* The high average duration is due to Special Benches having disposed of many old cases.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).						Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	394	317	711	59	112	37	38	27	438	198	481	154	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	...	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... 1st Appeals ...	225	65	290	18	90	13	19	5	145	93	1,313*	47	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... 2nd Appeals ...	93	29	122	17	38	6	14	10	37	22	1,069*	21	
Total ...	712	411	1,123	94	240	56	71	42	620	313	859	125	

* The high average duration is due to Special Benches having disposed of many old matters.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	68	96	164	37	35	1	11	4	76	24	225	110	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	2	2	4	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	63	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	85	45	130	24	31	3	12	1	59	39	997	18	
Total ...	155	143	298	63	66	4	23	5	137	63	622	80	

*The high average duration is due to Special Benches having disposed of many old matters.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	2,822	6,665	3,115	2,190	...	29	1,331
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	1,201	1,674	735	851	...	9	79
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	19,927	37,505	17,616	15,214	317	152	4,206
Benches of Magistrates	12,244	16,437	3,996	11,601	...	13	827
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ..	60	171	42	93	.	1	35
Chief Magistrates of Districts	105	640	166	468	..	6	...
Courts of Session	461	1,190	416	540	21	11	202
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	40	2	30	..	...	8
Total ...	36,820	64,322	26,088	30,987	338	221	6,688

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	342	123	108	20	68	8	1	14
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction)	2,297	1,376	231	190	282	31	2	185
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	455	174	135	46	27	2	...	71
Total ...	3,094	1,673	474	256	377	41	3	270
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	24	19	...	...	...	4	...	1
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	278	221	...	...	...	83	..	78
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	211	119	40	6	29	25	...	17
Total ..	513	359	40	6	29	112	...	96
GRAND TOTAL ...	3,607*	2,032	514	262	406	153	3	366

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 129 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Description of offence.	Number of cases		Number of persons.						Remarks.
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Relating to criminal conspiracy	2	2	2	7		7	..	...	
Against the State ...	15	15	15	50	...	50	...	...	
Relating to the Army and Navy	23	23	23	116	49	26	...	41	
Against the public tranquility ...	456	423	473	2,513	1,251	723	1	538	
By or relating to public servants	62	62	64	83	25	41	...	17	
Contempt of the lawful authority of public servants.	194	187	214	344	99	154	5	86	
False evidence and offences against public justice.	236	212	265	394	199	115	11	69	
Relating to coin ...	19	19	19	35	7	26	...	2	
Relating to Government stamps.	...	...	9	15	5	10	...	...	
Relating to weights and measures	21	21	22	24	6	13	1	4	
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	89	89	96	124	27	75	...	22	
Relating to religion ...	8	8	10	18	17	1	...	...	
Affecting the human body.									
Affecting life	367	361	415	923	341	358	7	217	
Causing miscarriage injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

Hurt	3,429	3,213	3,389	9,021	7,355	747	21	898
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	242	218	227	689	571	28	5	85
Criminal force and assault ...	363	333	360	886	718	85	3	80
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	189	163	191	611	386	113	6	106
Rape	18	17	21	29	19	4	1	5
Unnatural offence	38	32	36	51	34	14	1	2
Against property.								
Theft ordinary	1,441	1,385	1,495	2,550	715	1,438	28	369
Cattle theft	1,074	1,030	1,145	1,712	593	851	8	260
Extortion	32	24	28	49	20	9	1	19
Robbery and dacoitry ...	359	331	337	1,976	681	164	9	1,122
Criminal misappropriation ...	330	289	308	518	434	25	7	52
Criminal breach of trust ..	360	285	327	490	241	100	11	138
Receiving stolen property ...	645	631	667	1,043	411	455	2	175
Cheating	906	794	828	1,447	1,043	175	6	223
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	47	32	36	69	61	2	...	6
Mischief	292	259	278	806	627	49	1	129
Criminal Trespass ...	999	945	984	2,184	1,555	364	12	253
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	57	50	52	131	47	9	8	67
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1
Relating to marriage ...	658	568	651	2,437	1,755	55	31	596
Defamation	95	87	100	270	186	13	...	71
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,153	934	993	2,190	1,978	63	1	148
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	22,600	22,585	23,736	30,178	4,632	24,625	34	887
Total ..	36,820	35,626	37,817	63,984	26,088	30,987	221	6,688

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	888	2,201	22	61
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	34	812	...	5
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	4,626	6,990	258	446
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	153	13,613	...	3
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	86	41	...	4
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	314	196	1	147
Courts of Session	...	...	76	426	18	...	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	22	22	8	...	...	...	...
Total ...	22	22	84	6,527	23,871	281	670

No. 36—(Criminal).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1930.

Fine of		Total amount of fines.			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				Remarks
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
1,094	1,107	21,805 8 0	9,328 4 0	963 5 0	462	275	128	23	
741	71	5,783 0 0	5,060 0 0	126 0 0	...	29	5	...	
3,914	3,076	1,75,363 8 9	1,01,201 13 9	11,127 11 9	379	2,381	1,828	38	
11,610	2,003	31,456 5 4	28,094 10 0	185 0 0	111	42	...	...	
...	41	4,575 0 0	100 0 0	....	3	39	44	...	
...	196	22,510 0 0	4,070 8 6	9,661 14 0	17	176	44	77	
...	18	3,864 0 0	1,133 0 0	140 0 0	6	34	106	280	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	
17,359	6,512	2,65,357 6 1	1,48,988 1 3	22,203 14 9	978	2,976	2,155	418	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	208	937	1	...	1	1	241
Court of 1st Assistant Judge ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Court of 2nd Assistant Judge ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 3rd Assistant Judge ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	300	115	185	162	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Regular.	...	..	1,004	615	389	355	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Small Causes.	...	...	2,213	1,764	449	312	..
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	..	...	790	530	260	226	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	480	400	80	52	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	2,293	1,728	565	416	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,446	1,241	205	108	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	2,249	1,541	708	723	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	816	649	167	102	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,502	1,281	221	210	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes	...	...	815	712	103	76	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular,	...	...	1,874	1,327	547	532	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,792	1,479	313	325	...
Total ...	208	937	17,575	13,382	4,193	3,600	241
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	44	175	1	..	1	1	299
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	52	178	..	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	17	.	83	51	32	39	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Regular.	...	...	683	441	242	216	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Small Causes.	...	...	1,903	1,667	236	338	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Appellate powers, Shikarpur.	...	..	242	100	142	111	..
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Regular.	...	...	2,003	1,248	755	633	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,722	1,217	505	251	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,362	1,859	503	579	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	2,200	1,933	267	330	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	1,356	956	400	276	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	..	1,060	909	151	155	...
Total ...	113	353	13,615	10,381	3,234	2,929	299

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1939.

WORK.							
Appellate.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
51	142	126		63	1	54	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
10	...	...		7	...	...	
27	...	...	...	5	...	...	
11	...	...	7	41	...	...	
...	...	...	78	62	104	...	
...	...	...	608	55	101	...	
	...	...	1,177	14	7	...	
..	...	...	294	22	16	...	
..	..	...	198	...	...	...	
...	...	...	1,020	33	15	...	
...	..	...	542	..	...	...	
...	...	...	1,024	38	43	...	
...	...	...	432	...	1	...	
...	...	...	675	26	12	...	
...	...	...	365	...	2	...	
...	...	...	700	13	24	...	
...	..	...	908	2	5	...	
99	142	126	8,028	381	331	54	
37	169	202	1	102	1	98	
74	...	...	51	34	...	...	
...	...	...	39	34	12	...	
...	...	...	342	24	42	...	
...	...	...	1,374	8	4	...	
19	..	...	97	6	71	...	
...	...	...	974	45	156	...	
...	...	...	656	...	12	...	
...	...	...	1,348	10	8	...	
...	...	...	1,053	4	...	...	
..	...	...	592	19	25	..	
...	...	...	372	7	...	...	
130	169	202	6,809	293	331	98	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil.				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	54	259	...	...	...	..	171
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	32	123	...	...	..	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge.	10	...	91	59	32	41	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Regular.	...	..	3,924	2,910	1,014	1,010	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Small Causes.	...	...	1,671	1,421	250	164	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	..	2,372	2,019	353	346	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	797	711	86	75	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	..	..	1,335	1,012	323	301	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	..	...	932	799	133	127	...
Total ...	96	382	11,122	8,931	2,191	2,064	171
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	22	164	1,062	581	481	656	...
Karachi Small Causes Court	...	...	10,217	8,212	2,005	1,839	...
Total ...	22	164	11,279	8,793	2,486	2,495	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	208	937	17,575	13,382	4,193	3,600	241
Sukkur	113	353	13,615	10,381	3,234	2,929	299
Larkana	96	382	11,122	8,931	2,191	2,064	171
Karachi	22	164	11,279	8,793	2,486	2,495	...
Total ...	439	1,836	53,591	41,487	12,104	11,088	711
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	412
Total ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	412

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1930—*concld.*

WORK.							
Appellate.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
40	127	66	8	37	...	46	
4	...	...	...	22	...	...	
...	...	...	48	22	9	...	
...	..	...	1,548	13	151	..	
...	...	...	654	1	2	...	
...	...	...	1,124	19	3	...	
	...	...	362	4	...	..	
...	...	...	689	23	8	...	
...	...	...	423	...	...	...	
44	127	66	4,856	141	173	46	
...	...	...	780	576	409	...	
...	...	...	6,980	27	6	...	
...	...	...	7,760	603	415	...	
99	142	126	8,028	381	331	54	
130	169	202	6,899	293	331	98	
44	127	66	4,856	141	173	46	
...	...	...	7,760	603	415	...	
273	438	394	27,543	1,418	1,250	198	
230	182	318	...	...	...	115	
230	182	318	...	...	...	115	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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COURT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND,
Karachi, 24th September 1932.

From

V. M. FERRERS, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

V. M. FERRERS,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Preliminary Remarks.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,887,070 according to the Census of 1931.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner was presided over by Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., from 1st January to 13th June 1931, and by Mr. R. B. Milne, I.C.S, from 14th June to 9th December 1931 and by Mr. V. M. Ferrers, I C.S., from 10th December to 31st December 1931.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 2nd February to 31st December 1931.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B, from 1st January to 15th June 1931 and from 1st August to 15th October 1931 and from 16th November to 31st December 1931.

(3) Mr. M. A. Havelivala, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 1st February 1931 and from 16th June to 31st July 1931.

(4) Mr. R. B. Milne, I.C.S., from 1st January to 13th June 1931.

(5) Mr. Dadiba C. Mehta, M.A., LL.B., from 14th June to 31st December 1931.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 14th May to 13th June 1931.

5. There were on 31st December 1931—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 1st class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

9 District Magistrates, including the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

171 Stipendiary Magistrates.

26 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 10 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from among 67 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on the 31st December 1931 :—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

15 Second Class Sub-Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 temporary Second Class Sub-Judge.

7. The annual cold weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in January and February 1932, by the Judicial Commissioner of Sind. The following Courts were inspected :—

The District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Sub-Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana and the First Class Sub-Court, Shikarpur, the Courts of the Sub-Judges of Jacobabad, Sehwan, Mehar, Naushahro Feroze, Tando Muhammad Khan and Tatta; the Court of Sub-Judge, Rohri from Sukkur; the Courts of the Sub-Judges and First Class Magistrates of Jacobabad, Sehwan, Tando Muhammad Khan and Tatta; the City Magistrates' Courts of Shikarpur and Hyderabad; the First Class Magistrates' Courts of Jacobabad, Tando Muhammad Khan, Hyderabad and Tatta; and the Courts of the Resident Magistrates of Rohri and Larkana.

8. The District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Shikarpur and Jacobabad; the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Sehwan.

9. The District Judge, Hyderabad, convened a Judicial Conference of Judicial Officers and Pleaders of the district and several points relating to the practice and procedure of Civil Courts were discussed.

10. The Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province. Certain sections of the Act, however, are not working satisfactorily, and some amendments in the Act appear to be desirable.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

11. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 41,286 and 40,327, respectively, and show an increase of 4,466 and 4,701 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 36,820 and 35,626, respectively.

12. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 37,817 to 40,619. There was a decrease in the number of persons under trial from 63,984 to 63,053. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 6,688 to 8,244. The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner was 63,749.

The following table exhibits the number of persons acquitted and convicted as contrasted with the figures of 1930 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1930	64,322	26,088	30,987
1931	63,749	29,332	24,984
	− 573	+ 3,244	− 6,003

13. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1931 as constrasted with those in 1930 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1930 ...	22	84	6,527	23,871	281	670
1931 ...	13	48	5,824	17,934	402	936

The fines in 1931 amounted to Rs. 2,11,283-2-8 as against Rs. 2,65,357-6-1 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1931 amounted to Rs. 15,637-7-0 as against Rs. 22,203-14-9.

14. Particulars of the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The large number of acquittals or discharges compared with that of convictions is due to the fact that a number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

15. The work done by the various Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

16. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 367 to 394 in the year under report. A large portion of this class of crime, especially in Nawabshah, Thar Parkar and Upper Sind Frontier, arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report :—

District.	From motives connected with women.	For the sake of gain.	Other causes.
Karachi	1	...	2
Dadu	15	...	25
Hyderabad	12	1	24
Sukkur	16	5	28
Larkana	5	...	13
Nawabshah	25	2	23
Thar Parkar	11	...	7
Upper Sind Fronter	20	3	10

In the Upper Sind Frontier district 53 cases of murder and culpable homicide not amounting to murder were tried under the Sind Frontier Regulation III of 1892. Out of these in 44 cases the motive was connected with women.

17. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Abetment, Chapter V, Indian Penal Code.
(2) False evidence and offences against public justice.
(3) Relating to coin.
(4) Relating to Government stamps.
(5) Relating to weights and measures.

(6) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(7) Affecting life.

(8) Causing miscarriage injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.

(9) Hurt.

(10) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(11) Criminal force and assault.

(12) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(13) Rape.

(14) Unnatural offence.

(15) Theft ordinary.

(16) Cattle theft.

(17) Criminal misappropriation.

(18) Cheating.

(19) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(20) Mischief.

(21) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(22) Relating to marriage.

(23) Defamation.

(24) Offences under Special and Local Laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Relating to criminal conspiracy.

(2) Against the State.

(3) Relating to the Army and Navy.

(4) Against the public tranquility.

(5) By or relating to public servants.

(6) Contempt of the lawful authority of public servants.

(7) Relating to religion.

(8) Extortion.

(9) Robbery and dacoity.

(10) Criminal breach of trust.

(11) Receiving stolen property.

(12) Criminal trespass.

(13) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

18. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,907, that is, 83 more than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 2,200 cases and were reversed or varied in 657. The sentences were maintained intact in 76 per cent. of appeals, the percentage in the previous year being the same.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	370
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	2,193
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	344

The criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind show a decrease of 40 and those in the Sesions Courts and the Courts of Magistrates show an increase of 81 and 42, respectively.

19. During the year under report the cases of 194 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 103 persons and the District Magistrates of 4. The principal results of this revision were that the sentences of 45 persons were reversed, of 6 persons altered, and the cases of 109 persons were otherwise disposed of.

20. The criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1930 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 25 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 13 the sentence of death was confirmed ; in the case of 5 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life ; in the case of 3 the conviction and sentence was reversed and the accused were acquitted ; and the cases of 4 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

21. The total number of civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 41,870, as compared with 41,546 in 1930. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of

the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), filed in the two years was:—

District.	1930.	1931.
Hyderabad	5	...
Sukkur	...	2
Larkana	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	395	320

22. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1930 and 1931. Suits relating to immoveable property formed 1·74 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1930 was 1·73 per cent.:—

Nature.	1930.	1931.
Money or moveable property ...	37,104	37,565
Mortgage	852	907
Immoveable property	719	727

23. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,41,82,319-5-10 as compared with Rs. 1,51,50,915-1-10½ in 1930 and Rs. 1,61,13,846-14-10 in 1929.

24. The total number of suits disposed of was 43,726 as against 41,487 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1931 as compared with the year 1930:—

Manner of diposal.	1930.	1931.
Without trial	7,876	6,867
By arbitration	2,505	3,219
Contested	6,118	7,189
Without contest	24,988	26,451

25. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 11,189 as against 12,104 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 438 as against 481.

26. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction), was 379 and 92 days, respectively, in the year under report as against 507 and 108 days, respectively, in 1930. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of contested and uncontested suits was 152 and 70 days and in the Karachi Small Causes Court it was 132 and 60 days, respectively.

27. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,663 as against 2,541 in 1930. The number disposed of was 2,053 as against 1,762 in 1930.

28. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases in the District Courts, including the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction), was 217 and 117 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 459 and 199 days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous cases was 229 and 97 days, while in the Karachi Small Cause Court it was 57 and 76 days, respectively.

29. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts was 804 as against 711 in 1930. Of these 299 were disposed of as compared with 273 in 1930. The number of Civil Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1930.	1931.
Hyderabad	99	146
Sukkur	130	109
Larkana	44	44

30. The average duration of contested and uncontested regular appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 474 and 257 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 961 and 35 days, respectively.

31. The number of Miscellaneous Appeals for disposal before the Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and High Court Jurisdiction) was 375 as against 298 in 1930. Of these 235 were disposed of and the number disposed of in the previous year was 161. The number of Miscellaneous Appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1930.	1931.
Hyderabad	35	110
Sukkur	37	53
Larkana	16	15
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	71	53

32. The average duration of contested and uncontested Miscellaneous Appeals in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) was 180 and 150 days, respectively. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its High Court Jurisdiction it was 474 and 33 days, respectively.

The high average duration appearing against the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind both in its District and High Court Jurisdictions is due to special efforts having been made to dispose of old cases and appeals and many of these having been disposed of during the year under report.

33. There were in all 39,155 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 35,002 in 1930. Of these 31,499 were disposed of as against 27,543 in 1930. The amount realized in execution of the decrees under report was Rs. 13,82,694-2-8 as compared with Rs. 19,12,697-5-4 in the year 1930. Moveable property was sold in 217 cases as against 216 in 1930, and attached but subsequently released in 331 as against 333 in 1930.

34. 402 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 376 in 1930. Out of 578 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 434 were disposed of, leaving

a balance of 144. The number of insolvents discharged was 201 as against 152 in 1930. The orders of adjudication in respect of 29 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 184.

35. During the year under report there were no references made nor appeals filed under sections 27 and 30, respectively, of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923.

36. At the opening of the year 5 applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council were pending for orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. 6 new applications were filed during the year making a total of 11. Out of these in 3 certificates were granted, but in one the certificate was subsequently revoked as security was not furnished; 4 were dismissed and 4 applications were pending at the close of the year.

37. Appendix D shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1930 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

GENERAL.

38. There has been a slight increase in the civil and criminal work in the year under report, which however does not call for any comment.

39. As observed in the last year's report, Government owing to financial stringency have again postponed the establishment of a Chief Court for Sind and the creation of a new Judicial District of Nawabshah. As a measure of economy the Subordinate Civil Court at Tando Muhammad Khan was abolished.

40. Owing to the completion of the Lloyd Barrage and Canals Construction Scheme, a separte district of Dadu, which formed part of the Larkana district, was created both for the purposes of the Land Revenue Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898. Government have also sanctioned the transfer of the Subordinate Civil Court at Sehwan to Dadu.

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APPENDIX A.

Showing the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) :—

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	22,688	8,773	12,687	...	1,228
Dadu	4,424	2,513	1,180	4	727
Hyderabad	10,947	4,249	4,511	404	1,783
Sukkur	9,500	4,912	3,029	17	1,542
Larkana	5,333	3,265	1,085	6	977
Nawabshah	4,143	2,261	889	7	986
Thar Parkar	2,474	1,550	533	31	360
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,519	1,806	1,052	24	637
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	25	3	18	...	4
Total ...	63,053	29,332	24,984	493	8,244

APPENDIX B.

Showing the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years :—

District.	1929.				1930.				1931.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	20	29	178	188	23	22	173	164	17	19	118	118
Hyderabad ...	234	229	683	668	199	208	915	937	266	217	883	820
Sukkur	111	121	414	447	105	113	409	353	101	100	351	352
Larkana	89	89	392	384	93	96	383	382	89	76	392	368

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APPENDIX C.

Showing the Criminal Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1929.	1930.		Arrears on 31st December 1930.	1931.		Arrears on 31st December 1931.
			Filed.	Disposed of		Filed.	Disposed of	
1	Criminal Appeals	58	269	291	36	280	273	43
2	Confirmation Cases	7	22	22	7	14	19	2
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	2	2	...	5	5	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	4	39	36	7	34	32	9
5	Criminal Revision Applications ...	9	133	124	18	136	132	22
6	Criminal Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	16	16	...	15	15	...
7	Criminal Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	3	39	35	7	49	52	4

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APPENDIX D.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1929.	1930.		Arrears on 31st December 1930.	1931.		Arrears on 31st December 1931.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	225	65	145	145	76	72	149
II Appeals	93	29	85	37	30	23	44
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	85	45	71	59	65	53	71
Applications under sections 23 and 24, Civil Procedure Code.	5	15	18	2	19	15	6
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	69	72	86	55	46	66	35
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	...	6	5	1	1	2	...
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	1	8	4	5	6	7	4
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	1	3	2	2	2	2	2
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	52	23	40	35	24	36	23
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	3	8	3	8	1	7	2
Applications under Act XI of 1922.	5	6	4	7	3	6	4
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	3	4	6	1	6	6	1
Applications under Act IV of 1929.	...	1	1	...	52	18	34
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	1	4	2	3	6	5	4

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STATEMENT No. 25—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1931.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks.
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges.		Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts.	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges.	District Magistrates (5).	Other Magistrates.		
				Stipendiary (3).	Honorary.						Stipendiary.	Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	4 (*a*)	4	8 (*b*)	20 (c)	...	4	9	7 (*a*)	2 (*d*)	9	171 (*e*)	36 (*f*)	(*a*) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (*b*) 7 do both Civil and Criminal work. (c) 11 do both Civil and Criminal work. (*d*) First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges powers, they do both Civil and Criminal work. (*e*) 9 do both Civil and Criminal work. *f*) Includes 10 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 4 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Sub-Judges, 9 Second Class Sub-Judges, 2 Joint Sub-Judges, one of whom is a temporary Sub-Judge, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	43,726	33,821	394	235	*	*	
Criminal	17,554	316	1,652	250	...	...	

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	30,823	...	...	...	...	...	664	167	815	1,642	3,288	34,111
Small Cause Courts ...	6,604	669	...	164	..	833	...	...	...	...	...	7,437
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	2
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	138	...	...	...	...	...	63	2	92	25	182	320
Total ...	37,565	669	...	164	...	833	727	171	907	1,667	3,472	41,870

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STATEMENT No. 28—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,897	13,667	6,730	7,868	1,321	1,196	320	112	34,111	1,17,99,026 5 2
Small Cause Courts	405	2,820	1,482	2,176	363	191	...	...	7,437	12,69,263 7 2
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	.....
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	8	17	56	29	124	62	22	320	11,14,029 9 6
Total ...	3,304	16,495	8,229	10,100	1,713	1,511	382	136	41,870	1,41,82,319 5 10

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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.				Number of suits disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of suits.		Remarks a
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial	Without contest.	With contest. Judgment for plaintiff.	With contest. Judgment for defendant.	On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested suits.	Average duration in days of uncontested suits.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	9,616	34,111	816	44,543	6,519	20,081	5,269	761	3,003	8,910	737	152	70	
Small Cause Courts	2,005	7,437	125	9,567	272	6,322	780	232	121	1,840	1	132	60	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	2	...	4	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	2,107*	749†	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	481	320	...	801	75	47	134	12	95	438	292	387	78	
Total ...	12,104	41,870	941	54,915	6,867	26,451	6,184	1,005	3,219	11,189	1,030	153	68	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	12,104	41,870	941	54,915	6,867	26,451	6,184	1,005	3,219	11,189	1,030	153	68	

* The average duration is high as one suit of 1925 was remanded in 1928 by the Judicinl Commissioner's Court and owing to pressure of criminal work it could not be disposed of by the District Court before 1931.

† The average duration is high as one suit of 1928 was in appeal in the Judicial Commissioner's Court for over a year.

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STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of cases before the Courts.				Number of cases disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.	Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested cases.	Average duration in days of uncontested cases.	
							Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
I.—CIVIL COURTS.														
Courts of Subordinate Judges	334	682	2	1,018	148	385	112	40	10	323	78	229	97	
Small Cause Courts	6	83	...	89	12	38	21	4	...	14	...	57	76	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	122	588	4	714	377	153	21	31	...	132	11	245	108	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	90	473	...	563	342	73	85	36	...	27	30	205	135	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	119	160	...	279	70	8	32	53	2	114	49	459*	199	
Total ...	671	1,986	6	2,663	949	657	271	163	12	610	168	259	104	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.														
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	671	1,986	6	2,663	949	657	271	164	12	610	168	259	104	

* The average duration is high because many old applications were disposed of during 1931.

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STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	438	366	804	58	141	29	41	30	505	238	474	257	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... — 1st Appeals ...	145	76	221	26	27	14	3	2	149	94	906*	43	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ... ... — 2nd Appeals ...	37	30	67	10	5	7	...	1	44	24	1,183*	22	
Total ...	620	472	1,092	94	173	50	44	33	698	356	598	210	

* The high average duration is due to a Special Bench having disposed of many old appeals.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of (excluding transfers).					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	76	166	242	27	54	12	79	6	64	11	181	150	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	2	7	9	...	3	1	...	...	5	...	169	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	59	65	124	19	20	9	5	...	71	30	474*	33	
Total ...	137	238	375	46	77	22	84	6	140	41	248	125	

* The average duration is high as most of the matters disposed of were old.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT NO. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates –							
Special Magistrates under section 14	2,156	4,130	3,229	400	61	60	380
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	1,969	3,903	2,196	815	...	6	886
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	19,832	35,034	18,335	10,896	626	244	4,933
Benches of Magistrates	16,656	18,852	4,954	12,001	...	172	1,725
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	83	208	46	81	...	1	80
Chief Magistrates of Districts	120	414	136	275	...	3	...
Courts of Session	470	1,183	433	498	9	7	236
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	25	3	18	..	...	4
Total ...	41,286	63,749	29,332	24,984	696	493	8,244

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT NO. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	390	103	157	33	72	2	3	20
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	2,464	1,306	361	178	314	27	7	271
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	400	173	100	13	47	11	...	56
Total ...	3,254	1,582	618	224	433	40	10	347
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	4	19	...	...	...	4	...	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	148	265	...	...	...	77	...	45
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	258	109	29	6	45	28	...	64
Total ...	410	393	29	6	45	109	...	109
GRAND TOTAL ...	3,664*	1,975	647	230	478	149	10	456

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 281 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Description of offence.	Number of cases			Number of persons					Remarks.	
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Abetment-Chapter V of the Indian Penal Code.	7	7	7	11	...	11	...	...	..	...
Relating to Criminal Conspiracy.	1	1	1	5	5	..	...	...	...	...
Against the State	2	2	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	..
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Against the public tranquility ...	391	370	389	2,257	1,272	290	27	668	15	6
By or relating to public servants.	59	58	62	84	27	26	..	31	1	...
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	160	160	167	249	108	90	3	48	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice.	350	329	332	476	178	139	10	149	17	4
Relating to coin	26	26	29	37	9	21	...	7	...	..
Relating to Government stamps.	4	4	4	5	1	4	...	...	...	...
Relating to weights and measures	30	30	30	33	2	29	...	2	...	...
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	123	122	124	143	34	80	...	29	1	...
Relating to religion ..	4	4	4	8	4	4	...	...	...	...
Affecting the human body.										
Affecting life	394	390	401	956	314	306	5	331	4	...
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	3	3	3	4	...	4	...	...	..	...

Hurt	3,786	3,648	3,697	9,617	7,767	571	53	1,226	123	15
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	271	241	246	740	595	45	10	90	28	2
Criminal force and assault ...	513	479	478	1,194	892	101	12	189	33	1
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	165	140	132	473	242	72	3	156	25	...
Rape	40	38	39	65	26	15	5	19	2	...
Unnatural offence	41	40	38	53	12	29	1	11	1	...
Against property.										
Theft ordinary	1,584	1,527	1,553	2,601	763	1,332	25	481	34	23
Cattle theft	1,303	1,252	1,295	1,991	581	942	25	443	7	44
Extortion	9	8	8	28	26	...	...	2	1	...
Robbery and dacoity ...	203	188	196	655	287	134	18	216	12	3
Criminal misappropriation ...	419	386	384	671	541	28	3	99	32	1
Criminal breach of trust ...	356	282	282	449	243	81	4	121	67	7
Receiving stolen property ...	624	614	626	1,002	371	404	7	220	6	4
Cheating	1,362	1,252	1,256	1,753	1,372	56	13	312	104	6
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	69	54	55	187	113	6	1	67	15	...
Mischief	303	271	281	779	562	54	4	159	30	2
Criminal Trespass ...	995	946	970	2,249	1,625	281	7	335	39	10
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	69	65	65	100	73	8	...	19	4	...
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	767	689	710	2,810	2,012	47	47	704	71	7
Defamation	265	248	243	536	434	22	...	80	13	4
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	749	648	667	1,706	1,418	15	6	267	101	...
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	25,838	25,804	25,842	29,123	7,421	19,735	204	1,763	34	..
Total ...	41,286	40,327	40,619	63,053	29,332	24,984	493	8,244	829	139

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	53	170	...	6
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	35	605	...	6
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	5,073	13,880	402	755
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	32	3,208	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	55	3	...	17
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	134	25	...	148
Courts of Session	...	...	43	442	43	...	6
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	13	13	5	...	...	...	...
Total ...	13	13	48	5,824	17,934	402	936

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

Fine of		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	Remarks.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
54	116	7,569 0 0	4,147 0 0	380 0 0	9	40	4	...	
564	41	5,033 8 0	3,764 0 0	100 0 0	6	25	4	...	
10,045	3,835	1,77,088 6 8	1,25,732 14 0	10,032 11 6	844	2,312	1,891	26	
3,171	37	9,342 4 0	7,281 12 0	30 0 0	6	26	...	...	
1	2	235 0 0	...	...	3	2	50	...	
...	25	4,500 0 0	4,703 4 6	4,807 14 6	19	2	27	86	
1	42	7,515 0 0	1,923 4 0	287 0 0	17	64	130	231	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
13,836	4,098	2,11,283 2 8	1,47,552 2 6	15,632 7 0	904	2,471	2,106	343	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		CIVIL				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	48	289	1	1	...	1	279
Court of 1st Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	55	294	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 2nd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	49	162	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 3rd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	65	75	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	298	152	146	185	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	1,138	777	361	389	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	2,534	2,144	390	449	..
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	645	489	156	260	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	458	385	73	80	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	2,149	1,658	491	565	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,555	1,324	231	205	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	2,220	1,784	436	708	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	895	804	91	167	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,626	1,357	269	221	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	856	744	112	103	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular.	...	...	1,715	1,276	439	547	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,510	1,255	255	313	...
Total ...	217	820	17,600	14,150	3,450	4,193	279
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	41	192	3	2	1	1	287
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	48	160	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge.	11	...	95	54	41	32	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	775	499	276	242	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	2,041	1,713	328	236	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Appellate powers, Shikarpur.	...	...	281	138	143	142	...
Subordinate Court, Shikarpur ...	...	...	2,238	1,415	823	755	...
Small Causes Court, Shikarpur ...	...	...	1,969	1,570	399	505	
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,365	1,834	531	503	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	2,144	1,938	206	267	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	1,517	1,157	360	400	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	..	1,135	987	148	151	...
Total ...	100	352	14,563	11,307	3,256	3,234	287

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1931.

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
93	133	142	2	86	...	54	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
17	...	...	2	14	...	...	
22	...	...	2	13	...	...	
14	...	...	7	10	...	...	
...	...	...	146	91	89	...	
...	...	...	586	78	72	...	
...	...	...	1,170	17	2	...	
...	...	...	297	14	15	...	
...	..	...	202	...	...	...	
...	...	...	1,126	45	9	...	
...	..	...	602	..	3	...	
...	...	...	1,458	42	14	...	
...	...	...	569	2	...	...	
...	...	...	832	22	9	...	
...	...	...	421	2	4	...	
...	...	...	793	19	16	...	
...	...	...	1,002	...	2	...	
146	133	142	9,217	455	235	54	
47	178	169	1	6	...	84	
58	...	...	30	3	...	...	
...	...	...	52	91	16	...	
...	...	...	368	67	55	...	
...	...	...	1,349		10	...	
4	...	...	144	9	92	...	
...	...	...	1,133	14	186	...	
...	...	...	832	1	33	...	
...	...	...	1,482	...	27	...	
...	...	...	1,385	2	...	...	
..	...	...	725	23	7	..	
...	...	...	486	9	...	...	
109	178	169	7,987	232	426	84	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	55	368	...	...	...	...	238
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	21	...	...	...	..	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Larkana.	...	...	73	35	38	32	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	4,470	3,535	935	1,014	...
Small Causes Court, Larkana ...	...	...	1,872	1,607	265	250	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,693	2,281	412	353	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	938	813	125	86	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,470	1,154	316	323	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	...	...	868	754	114	133	...
Total ...	76	368	12,384	10,179	2,205	2,191	238
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	19	118	801	363	438	481	...
Karachi Small Causes Court ..	...	...	9,567	7,727	1,840	2,005	...
Total ...	19	118	10,368	8,090	2,278	2,486	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	217	820	17,600	14,150	3,450	4,193	279
Sukkur	100	352	14,563	11,307	3,256	3,234	287
Larkana	76	368	12,384	10,179	2,205	2,191	238
Karachi	19	118	10,368	8,090	2,278	2,486	...
Total ...	412	1,658	54,915	43,726	11,189	12,104	804
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	288

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1931—*concld.*

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
44	194	127	9	97	...	100	*Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
...	...	...	44	79	13	...	
...	...	...	1,828	48	51	...	
...	...	...	842	3	1	...	
...	...	...	1,272	15	2	...	
	...	...	465	...	...	...	
...	...	...	772	24	9	...	
...	...	...	489	...	...	...	
44	194	127	5,721	266	76	100	
...	...	...	1,066	536	292	...	
...	...	...	7,508	75	1	...	
...	...	...	8,574	611	293	...	
146	133	142	9,217	455	235	54	
109	178	169	7,987	232	426	84	
44	194	127	5,721	266	76	100	
...	...	...	8,574	611	293	...	
299	505	438	31,499	1,564	1,030	238	
95	193	182	...	...	...	118	

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Karachi, 25th September 1933.

From

V. M. FERRERS, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

V. M. FERRERS,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,884,277 according to the Census of 1931.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. V. M. Ferrers, I.C.S., from 1st January to 31st December 1932.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1932.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 16th October 1932 and from 17th November to 31st December 1932.

(3) Mr. Dadiba C. Mehta, M.A., LL.B., from 1st January to 31st December 1932.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 20th May to 19th June 1932.

5. There were on 31st December 1932—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

9 District Magistrates, including the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

163 Stipendiary Magistrates.

24 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 10 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from amongst 65 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on 31st December 1932—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Sub-Judges.

14 Second Class Sub-Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges.

7. The annual cold weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in December 1932 and January and February 1933 by the Judicial Commissioner of Sind. The following Courts were inspected:—

The District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Sub-Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana and the First Class Sub-Court, Shikarpur; the Courts of the Sub-Judge of Mehar and Shahdadpur; the Courts of the Sub-Judge and First Class Magistrate, Rohri, Sehwan and Mirpurkhas and the Court of the City Magistrate, Hyderabad.

8. The District Judge and the First Assistant Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Mirpurkhas and Shahdadpur, respectively; the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Shikarpur, Jacobabad and Rohri; and the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Sehwan.

9. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working fairly satisfactorily in the Province. Certain sections of the Act, however, are not working satisfactorily, and some amendments in the Act appear to be desirable.

In this connection, remarks of the District Judge, Larkana, are reproduced below:—

"Instances have come to my notice where litigants have sued on forged thumb-impressions of living persons without the least compunction or fear of consequences. As I reported in 1917, the state of account books and the colossal ignorance of agriculturists offer a great chance for false litigation. Such a state of things is at once demoralising and constitutes a grave menace to the administration of justice. I have issued circulars to Sub-Judges in the district impressing upon them the necessity of checking false litigation. I hope this will have its salutary effect. I do not think Larkana is the only place which can be pointed out as a black spot for I found Mirpurkhas and Naushahro equally bad if not worse. I am strongly of opinion that the problem of agricultural indebtedness is in a large measure, closely connected with the working of Civil Courts and that machinery requires to be thoroughly over-hauled."

Criminal Justice.

10. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 39,339 and 38,266, respectively, and show a decrease of 1,947 and 2,061 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 41,286 and 40,327, respectively.

11. There was a corresponding decrease in the number of cases brought to trial from 40,619 to 38,913. There was a decrease in the number of persons under trial from 63,053 to 62,170. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report fell from 8,244 to 8,192.

The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner was 62,873.

The following table exhibits the number of persons acquitted and convicted as contrasted with the figures of 1931 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1931	63,749	29,332	24,984
1932	62,873	27,559	26,257
	— 876	— 1,773	+ 1,273

12. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1932 as contrasted with those in 1931 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1931 ...	13	48	5,824	17,934	402	936
1932 ...	24	58	5,853	19,828	192	837

The fines in 1932 amounted to Rs. 2,83,527-4-11 as against Rs. 2,11,283-2-8 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1932 amounted to Rs. 11,451-0-3 as against Rs. 15,637-7-0.

13. Particulars of the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The large number of acquittals and discharges compared with that of convictions is due to the fact that a number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

14. The work done by the various Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

15. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 394 to 339 in the year under report. A large portion of this crime, especially in Hyderabad, Larkana, Nawabshah and Upper Sind Frontier arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report: —

District.	From motives connected with women.	For the sake of gain.	Other causes.
Karachi	3	1	7
Dadu	7	...	7
Hyderabad	23	4	51
Sukkur	19	3	23
Larkana	25	2	25
Nawabshah	38	6	23
Thar Parkar	7	14	13
Upper Sind Frontier	41	7	18

In the Upper Sind Frontier district 43 cases of murder and culpable homicide not amounting to murder were tried under the Sind Frontier Regulation III of 1892. Out of these in 33 cases the motive was connected with women.

16. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) By or relating to public servants.
(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.
(4) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
(5) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(6) Unnatural offence.
(7) Theft, ordinary.
(8) Extortion.
(9) Criminal breach of trust.
(10) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
(11) Mischief.
(12) Criminal trespass.
(13) Relating to marriage.
(14) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Abetment—Chapter V of the Indian Penal Code.
(2) Relating to Criminal Conspiracy.
(3) Against the public tranquility.
(4) Relating to coin.
(5) Relating to Government stamps.
(6) Relating to weights and measures.
(7) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.
(8) Relating to religion.
(9) Affecting life.
(10) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.
(11) Hurt.
(12) Criminal force and assault.
(13) Rape.
(14) Cattle theft.
(15) Robbery and dacoity.
(16) Criminal misappropriation.
(17) Receiving stolen property.
(18) Cheating.
(19) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.
(20) Criminal breach of contracts of service.
(21) Defamation.
(22) Offences under special and local laws.

17. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,954, that is 47 more than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 2,299 cases and were reversed or varied in 586 cases. The sentences were maintained in tact in 79 per cent. of appeals, the percentage in the preceding year being 76.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	451
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	2,114
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	389

The criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind and the Courts of Magistrates show an increase of 45 and 81, respectively, and those in the Sessions Courts show a decrease of 79.

18. During the year under report the cases of 271 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 388 persons and the District Magistrates of 26. The principal results of this revision were that the sentences of 66 persons were reversed, of 31 persons altered, and the cases of 41 persons were otherwise disposed of.

19. The criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1931 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 36 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 24 the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 3 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life; in the case of 8 the conviction and sentence was set aside; and the case of 1 person was pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

20. The total number of civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 41,676 as compared with 41,870 in 1931. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of

the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) filed in the two years was—

District.	1931.	1932.
Hyderabad	...	10
Sukkur	2	1
Larkana	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).	320	324

21. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1931 and 1932. Suits relating to immoveable property formed 1·61 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1931 was 1·74 :—

Nature.	1931.	1932.
Money or moveable property ...	37,565	37,636
Mortgage	907	855
Immoveable property	727	674

22. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,35,77,988-4-3½ as compared with Rs. 1,41,82,319-5-10 in 1931 and Rs 1,51,50,915-1-10½ in 1930.

23. The total number of suits disposed of was 41,498 as against 43,726 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1932 as compared with the year 1931 :—

Manner of diposal.	1931.	1932.
Without trial	6,867	6,522
By arbitration	3,219	4,922
After full trial	7,189	4,358

24. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 12,442 as against 11,189 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 480 as against 438.

25. In the District Courts the average duration of suits disposed of without trial and after full trial was 295 and 157 days, respectively; in the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) the average duration of suits disposed of after full trial was 392 days. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of suits disposed of without trial and after full trial was 54 and 169 and in the Karachi Small Causes Court 34 and 127 days, respectively.

26. The number of miscellaneous judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,252 as against 2,663 in 1931. The number disposed of was 1,613 as against 2,053 in 1931.

27. In the District Courts the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 19 and 210 days, respectively; in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, in its District Court Jurisdiction, it was 7 and 784 and in its High Court Jurisdiction 30 and 513 days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 123 and 321 and in the Karachi Small Causes Court 47 and 89 days, respectively.

28. The number of civil appeals before the District Courts was 820 as against 804 in 1931. Of these 436 were disposed of as compared with 299 in 1931. The number of civil appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1931.	1932.
Hyderabad	146	140
Sukkur	109	147
Larkana	44	149

29. The average duration of regular appeals in the District Courts which were confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded for retrial during the year under report was 480 days. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court, in its High Court Jurisdiction, it was for I Appeals 850 and II Appeals 605 days, respectively. The average duration is high because many old appeals were disposed of during 1932.

30. The number of miscellaneus appeals for disposal before the Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and High Court Jurisdiction) was 307 as against 375 in 1931. Of these 178 were disposed of and the number disposed of during the previous year was 235. The number of miscellaneous appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1931.	1932
Hyderabad	110	25
Sukkur	53	61
Larkana	15	25
Judicial Commissioner's Court—		
District Court Jurisdiction... ...	4	19
High Court Jurisdiction	53	48

31. The average duration of miscellaneous appeals in the District Courts which were confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded for retrial was 199 days; in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, District and High Court Jurisdiction, it was 75 and 455 days, respectively.

The high average duration appearing against the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind in its High Court Jurisdiction is due to special efforts having been made to dispose of old appeals.

32. There were in all 40,112 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 39,155 in 1931. Of these 31,672 were disposed of as against 31,499 in 1931. The amount realised in execution of the decrees under report was Rs. 14,63,209-13-8 as compared with Rs. 13,82,694-2-8 in the year 1931. Moveable property was sold in 253 cases as against 217 cases in 1931, and attached but subsequently released in 455 as against 331 in 1931.

33. 332 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 402 in 1931. Out of 476 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 358 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 118. The number of insolvents discharged was 162 as against 201 in 1931. The orders of adjudication in respect of 17 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 200.

34. There was one appeal filed under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review which remained undisposed of at the close of the year. There were no references under section 27 of the Act.

35. At the opening of the year 4 applications for leave to appeal to the Privy Council were pending for orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. Three new applications were filed during the year under report making a total of 7. Out of these in 1 certificate was granted and 6 applications were pending at the close of the year.

36. Appendix D shows the Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1931 and the arrears awaiting disposal.

GENERAL.

37. There has been a slight decrease in the civil and criminal work in the year under report, which however does not call for any comment.

38. As observed in the last year's report, Government, owing to financial stringency, have again postponed the establishment of a Chief Court for Sind and the creation of a new Judicial District of Nawabshah.

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APPENDIX A.

Showing the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) :—

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from the previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	19,335	6,004	12,331	49	951
Dadu	4,610	2,447	1,489	5	669
Hyderabad	10,273	4,945	4,143	16	1,169
Sukkur	11,267	4,690	4,328	11	2,238
Larkana	5,222	3,121	1,116	7	978
Nawabshah	4,721	2,733	972	16	1,000
Thar Parkar	2,528	1,355	554	43	576
Upper Sind Frontier ...	4,178	2,256	1,297	15	610
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	36	8	27	...	1
Total ...	62,170	27,559	26,257	162	8,192

APPENDIX B.

Showing the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years :—

District.	1930.				1931.				1932.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	23	22	173	164	17	19	118	118	36	28	158	151
Hyderabad ...	199	208	915	937	266	217	883	820	226	212	882	849
Sukkur	105	113	409	353	101	100	351	352	124	111	452	433
Larkana	93	96	383	382	89	76	392	368	93	97	350	375

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APPENDIX C.

Showing the Criminal Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1930.	1931.		Arrears on 31st December 1931.	1932.		Arrears on 31st December 1932.
			Filed.	Disposed of		Filed.	Disposed of	
1	Appeals	36	280	273	43	293	291	45
2	Confirmation Cases	7	14	19	2	16	17	1
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	5	5	...	4	4	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	7	34	32	9	30	35	4
5	Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	...	...	...	14	14	...
6	Revision Applications	18	136	132	22	102	114	10
7	Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	15	15	...	13	12	1
8	Transfer Applications section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	7	49	52	4	57	54	7

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APPENDIX D.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1930.	1931.		Arrears on 31st December 1931.	1932.		Arrears on 31st December 1932.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	145	76	72	149	69	53	165
II Appeals	37	30	23	44	54	25	73
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	59	65	53	71	47	48	70
Applications under sections 23 and 24, Civil Procedure Code.	2	19	15	6	6	12	...
Applications under sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	..	...	...	...	1	1	...
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	55	46	66	35	55	39	51
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	1	2	...	3	3	..
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	5	6	7	4	3	1	6
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	2	2	2	2	3	2	3
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	35	24	36	23	31	25	29
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	8	1	7	2	...	.	2
Applications under Act XI of 1922.	7	3	6	4	7	4	7
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	1	6	6	1	6	3	4
Applications under Act IV of 1929.	...	52	18	34	44	28	50
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1856.	3	6	5	4	6	6	4
Applications under Bombay Regulation VIII of 1827.	...	...	...	...	1	...	1

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STATEMENT No. 25—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1932.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges.		Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts.	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges.	District Magistrates (5).	Other Magistrates.		
				Stipendiary (3).	Honorary.						Stipendiary.	Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	4 (a)	4	8 (b)	19 (c)	...	4	9	7 (a)	2 (d)	9	163 (e)	34 (f)	(a) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (b) 7 do both Civil and Criminal work. (c) 10 do both Civil and Criminal work. (d) First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judges powers, they do both Civil and Criminal work. (e) 11 do both Civil and Criminal work. (f) Includes 10 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 4 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Sub-Judges, 8 Second Class Sub-Judges, 2 Joint Sub-Judges, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	41,498	33,516	514	178	*	*	
Criminal	35,673	557	1,804	148	...	...	

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	30,476	...	...	...	...	...	616	164	804	1,622	3,206	33,682
Small Cause Courts ...	6,996	509	...	154	..	663	...	..	...	...	...	7,659
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	9	11
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	162	19	...	12	.	31	58	...	51	22	131	324
Total ...	37,636	528	...	166	...	694	674	164	855	1,653	3,346	41,676

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STATEMENT No. 28—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Class of Tribunals.	Nnmber of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,686	13,498	6,582	8,062	1,265	1,249	259	81	33,682	1,15,23,894 3 ½
Small Cause Courts	489	2,914	1,595	2,136	316	209	...	...	7,659	11,30,160 10 0
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	9	11	192 0 0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	2	6	23	49	37	127	45	35	324	9,23,741 7 3
Total ...	3,177	16,419	8,200	10,248	1,618	1,585	304	125	41,676	1,35,77,988 4 3½

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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under order IX, rules 3 and 8 Civ. Procedure Code.	Otherwise	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7-A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	8,910	33,682	525	424	43,541	5,236	732	54	5,976	72	1,599	70
Small Cause Courts	1,840	7,659	121	...	9,620	167	386	34	2,712	53	2,676	53
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	11	...	5	17	...	1	295	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	438	324	...	...	762	...	...	...	86	88	7	35
Total ...	11,189	41,676	646	429	53,940	5,403	1,119	52	8,774	66	4,282	59
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	11,189	41,676	646	429	53,940	5,403	1,119	52	8,774	66	4,282	59

STATEMENT No. 29 (CIVIL)—*contd.*

Trials of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of										Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		After full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By transfer.		Total disposed of Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 20.			
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
——	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	11,864	67	2,527	487	169	4,684	92	21	340	33,126	10,415	694	
Small Causes Courts	718	47	905	311	127	200	86	...	...	8,075	1,545	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	3	73	1	2	157	...	...	8	41	15	2	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Courts Jurisdiction).	26	141	113	12	392	38	258	...	...	282	480	239	
Total ...	12,611	66	3,546	812	163	4,922	93	29	257	41,498	12,442	933	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	12,611	66	3,546	812	163	4,922	93	29	257	41,498	12,442	933	

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STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of.						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under order IX, rules 3 and 8, C. P. C.	Otherwise.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	329	653	9	14	1,005	127	145	123	104	137	99	113
Small Cause Courts	19	74	...	...	93	...	2	47	...	...	...	...
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	132	275	3	...	410	9	89	19	73	92	26	58
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	50	419	...	...	469	2	9	7	1	195	229	263
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	114	161	...	...	275	...	53	30	12	191	...	...
Total ...	644	1,582	12	14	2,252	138	298	85	190	124	354	206
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	644	1,582	12	14	2,252	138	298	85	190	124	354	206

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.										Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		Ater full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By Transfer.		Total disposed of, Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13 15, 16, 18 and 20.			
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
1	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges	39	154	113	38	321	5	178	...	...	670	335	48	
Small Cause Courts	6	102	41	36	89	...	...	...	...	85	8	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	2	77	19	19	210	2	202	84	4	323	87	20	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Courts Jurisdiction)	48	62	98	20	784*	...	...	...	...	407	62	13	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	26	36	513*	...	...	...	...	127	148	55	
Total ...	95	103	297	149	420	7	185	84	4	1,612	640	136	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	95	103	297	149	420	7	185	84	4	1,612	640	136	

*The average duration is high because many old applications were disposed of during 1932.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Total Number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of									Total disposed of (Columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13).	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and reinstituted during the year.	Otherwise received	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for retrial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.					
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	505	310	5	820	93	221	187	43	89	24	480	...	...	436	384	176	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st Appeals.	149	69	...	218	19	37	18	6	6	4	850*	...	...	53	165	99	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 2nd Appeals	44	54	...	98	16	28	6	2	...	1	605*	...	...	25	73	29	
Total ...	698	433	5	1,136	128	169	211	51	95	29	516	...	...	514	622	304	

* The average duration is high because many old appeals were disposed of during 1932.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in Province of Sind for the year 1932.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.			Number of appeals disposed of										Total disposed of (columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13.)	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for retrial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.					
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	64	102	...	166	29	84	48	3	25	6	199	...	...	111	55	13	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	5	18	...	23	4	136	13	2	...	...	75	...	...	19	4	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	71	47	...	118	24	32	14	2	8	...	455*	...	...	48	70	40	
Total ...	140	167	...	307	57	66	75	7	33	6	234	...	...	178	129	53	

*The average duration is high as most of the matters disposed of were old.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	1,225	2,433	1,265	849	...	13	306
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	4,668	8,661	4,153	3,019	149	28	1,312
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	18,785	32,163	15,949	10,461	467	91	5,195
Benches of Magistrates	13,080	16,241	4,895	10,495	...	22	829
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	931	1,573	668	563	65	...	277
Chief Magistrates of Districts	104	452	164	281	...	7	...
Courts of Session	546	1,314	457	562	22	1	272
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	..	36	8	27	..	...	1
Total ...	39,339	62,873	27,559	26,257	703	162	8,192

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	486	173	182	25	62	9	..	35
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction)	2,352	1,269	364	167	261	51	2	238
Judicial Commissioner's Court (*High Court Jurisdiction*) ...	443	204	107	39	32	7	...	54
Total ...	3,281	1,646	653	231	355	67	2	327
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	9	15	...	...	...	11	...	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	121	308	...	...	...	80	...	88
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	277	69	64	31	66	41	...	26
Total ...	407	392	64	31	66	132	...	114
GRAND TOTAL ...	3,688*	2,038	717	262	421	199	2	441

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 392 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Description of offence.	Number of cases			Number of persons					Remarks.	
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Abetment-Chapter V of the Indian Penal Code.	2	2	2	2	1	1	...	...	..	...
Relating to Criminal Conspiracy.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Against the State	2	2	2	6	...	6	...	...	...	..
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Against the public tranquility ...	368	343	351	2,196	1,217	395	19	565	24	1
By or relating to public servants.	60	60	60	148	49	34	..	65	...	...
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	180	175	180	301	112	118	1	70	5	...
False evidence and offences against public justice.	386	356	385	592	263	170	6	153	19	11
Relating to coin	10	10	8	18	4	7	...	7	...	..
Relating to Government stamps.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Relating to weights and measures	23	23	23	24	5	17	...	2	...	...
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	118	118	123	167	79	76	1	11	...	...
Relating to religion ..	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Affecting the human body.										
Affecting life	339	338	380	863	402	241	1	219	1	..
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Hurt	3,563	3,422	3,531	8,967	7,059	591	27	1,290	135	6
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	272	247	260	777	652	25	1	99	20	5
Criminal force and assault ...	470	445	449	1,177	790	133	1	253	24	1
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	194	163	171	648	372	79	5	192	31	...
Rape	26	25	28	71	31	11	...	29	1	...
Unnatural offence	96	96	94	126	53	64	...	9	...	...
Against property.										
Theft ordinary	1,759	1,665	1,749	3,002	793	1,630	4	575	70	24
Cattle theft	1,003	947	1,026	1,630	527	765	11	327	34	22
Extortion	19	15	17	38	18	2	...	18	4	...
Robbery and dacoity ...	176	161	179	629	241	114	...	274	14	1
Criminal misappropriation ...	395	366	362	601	458	47	2	94	28	1
Criminal breach of trust ...	417	333	343	500	242	93	6	159	75	9
Receiving stolen property ...	615	592	635	1,031	355	451	5	220	17	6
Cheating	1,092	995	1,009	1,515	1,149	78	13	275	91	6
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	91	82	82	228	137	21	1	69	9	...
Mischief	318	286	287	838	589	79	...	170	29	3
Criminal Trespass ...	1,069	1,013	1,033	2,503	1,683	406	20	394	48	8
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	38	36	37	57	35	8	...	14	2	...
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	779	684	707	3,046	2,161	48	6	831	87	8
Defamation	154	144	141	385	223	11	...	151	8	2
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,113	989	1,018	2,454	2,126	56	...	272	121	3
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	24,191	24,132	24,240	27,629	5,733	20,480	32	1,384	48	11
Total ...	39,339	38,266	38,913	62,170	27,559	26,257	162	8,192	945	128

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	264	176	3	4
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	66	1,861	...	12
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	4,381	10,669	186	613
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	371	6,619	...	1
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	232	377	...	31
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	91	73	...	174
Courts of Session	...	...	55	448	53	3	2
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	27	24	3	...	...	...	...
Total ...	27	24	58	5,853	19,828	192	837

No. 36—(Criminal).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

Fine of		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				Remarks.
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
65	111	18,794 7 0	17,091 4 0	280 0 0	15	176	73	...	
1,773	88	8,522 12 0	6,487 14 3	149 0 0	4	62	...	...	
9,059	1,610	1,99,793 1 11	95,507 4 3	7,465 7 3	323	2,257	1,745	56	
6,322	297	21,526 8 0	18,339 0 0	230 0 0	25	243	103	...	
243	134	13,310 8 0	4,859 6 0	50 0 0	3	81	148	...	
...	73	8,970 0 0	4,840 3 0	1,615 0 0	1	1	39	50	
1	52	12,610 0 0	5,044 12 0	1,661 9 0	10	36	148	254	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
17,463	2,365	2,83,527 4 11	1,52,169 11 6	11,451 0 3	381	2,856	2,256	360	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8*
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	49	224	15	13	2	...	236
Court of 1st Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	59	244	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 2nd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	47	209	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 3rd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	57	172	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	238	112	126	146	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	1,602	990	612	361	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	2,819	2,268	551	390	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Regular.	...	...	376	100	276	156	...
Subordinate Court, Tando, Small Causes.	...	...	236	109	127	73	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	1,992	1,436	556	491	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,394	1,214	180	231	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	2,166	1,589	577	436	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	767	662	105	91	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	2,202	1,820	382	269	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes	...	...	1,141	977	164	112	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular.	...	...	1,597	1,252	345	439	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,418	1,164	254	255	...
Total ...	212	849	17,963	13,706	4,257	3,450	236
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	54	274	2	2	...	1	324
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	43	159	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	14	...	899	443	456	317	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	1,790	1,429	361	328	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	227	139	88	143	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	2,222	1,539	683	823	...
Small Causes Court, Shikarpur ...	...	...	1,579	1,328	251	399	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	2,312	1,650	662	531	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,601	1,334	267	206	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	1,432	1,031	401	360	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	1,010	866	144	148	...
Total ...	111	433	13,074	9,761	3,313	3,256	324

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1932.

WORK.							
Appellate.							
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
34	96	133	4	35	...	33	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
70	...	...	...	22	...	...	
10	...	...	5	13	...	...	
26	...	...	2	19	...	...	
...	...	...	129	82	60	...	
...	...	...	903	61	83	...	
...	...	...	1,520	7	6	...	
...	...	...	98	5	...	...	
...	..	...	75	...	...	...	
...	...	...	1,298	26	4	...	
...	..	...	735	1	1	...	
...	...	...	1,270	40	24	...	
...	...	...	492	2	...	...	
...	...	...	829	20	17	...	
...	...	...	409	..	3	...	
...	...	...	885	27	14	...	
...	...	...	977	...	1	...	
140	96	133	9,629	360	213	33	
101	177	178	3	5	...	76	
46	...	...	14	...	...	...	
...	...	...	368	153	114	...	
...	...	...	1,388	11	18	...	
...	...	...	181	6	44	...	
...	...	...	1,339	19	97	...	
...	...	...	857	...	6	...	
...	...	...	1,526	41	44	...	
...	...	...	1,298	...	...	...	
...	...	...	681	...	8	...	
..	...	...	486	...	1	..	
147	177	178	8,141	235	332	76	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	53	246	...	...	...	...	260
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	32	129	...	...	..	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	12	...	91	45	46	38	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	4,542	3,341	1,201	935	...
Small Causes Court, ...	...	...	2,059	1,589	470	265	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,700	2,288	412	412	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	712	630	82	125	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,514	1,028	486	316	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	..	...	903	753	150	114	...
Total ...	97	375	12,521	9,674	2,847	2,205	260
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	28	151	762	282	480	438	...
Karachi Small Causes Court ...	...	...	9,620	8,075	1,545	1,840	...
Total ...	28	151	10,382	8,357	2,025	2,278	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	212	849	17,963	13,706	4,257	3,450	236
Sukkur	111	433	13,074	9,761	3,313	3,256	324
Larkana	97	375	12,521	9,674	2,847	2,205	260
Karachi	28	151	10,382	8,357	2,025	2,278	...
Total ...	448	1,808	53,940	41,498	12,442	11,189	820
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	316

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1932—*concld.*

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
82	111	194	2	28	...	67	*Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
67	...	...	3	33	...	...	
...	...	...	57	44	22	...	
...	...	...	2,248	44	106	...	
...	...	...	934	6	8	...	
...	...	...	1,491	16	1	...	
.	...	...	474	...	...	...	
...	...	...	653	24	12	...	
...	...	...	391	...	...	...	
149	111	194	6,253	195	149	67	
..	...	...	1,010	469	239	...	
...	...	...	6,639	85	...	...	
...	...	...	7,649	554	239	...	
140	96	133	9,629	360	213	93	
147	177	178	8,141	235	332	76	
149	111	194	6,253	195	149	67	
...	...	...	7,649	554	239	...	
436	384	505	31,672	1,314	933	176	
78	238	193	...	...	...	128	

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COURT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND,

Karachi, 27th September 1934.

From

V. M. FERRERS, ESQUIRE, I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

V. M. FERRERS,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,884,277 according to the Census of 1931.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. V. M. Ferrers, I C S., from 1st January to 7th June and from 11th September to 31st December 1933 and by Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 8th June to 10th September 1933.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 2nd May and from 8th November to 31st December 1933.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B, from 1st January to 4th April, from 19th April to 7th June and from 11th September to 31st December 1933.

(3) Mr. Dadiba C. Mehta, M.A., LL.B.; from 1st January to 31st December 1933.

(4) Mr. Charles M. Lobo, LL.B., from 8th June to 10th September 1933.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from the 8th May to 7th June 1933.

5. There were on 31st December 1933 :—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

9 District Magistrates, including the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

164 Stipendiary Magistrates.

26 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 10 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from amongst 64 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on 31st December 1933:—

3 District Judges.
4 Assistant Judges.
2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).
4 First Class Sub-Judges.
16 Second Class Sub-Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges.

7. The annual cold weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in November and December 1933 and January 1934, by the Judicial Commissioner of Sind. The following Courts were inspected:—

The District and Sessions Courts and the First Class Subordinate Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana; the Court of the Subordinate Judge, Mehar; the Courts of the Subordinate Judge and First Class Magistrate, Naushahro, Rohri, Sehwan, Mirpurkhas and Tatta; the Courts of the City Magistrate, Hyderabad and Sukkur; the Court of the Additional City Magistrate, Hyderabad; the Courts of the Resident Magistrate, Larkana and Dadu; and the Courts of the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Hyderabad, Naushahro, Rohri, Mehar, Sehwan, Mirpurkhas and Tatta.

8. The First Assistant Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Naushahro and Tatta; the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Shikarpur, Sukkur and Rohri; while the Assistant Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Jacobabad; and the District Judge Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Sehwan and Mehar.

9. The District Judge, Hyderabad, convened a Judicial Conference of Judicial Officers and Pleaders of the District and several points relating to the practice and procedure of Civil Courts were discussed.

10. The defects of the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act are notorious, and it can never be satisfactory: but during the year under report nothing remarkable has come to notice.

Criminal Justice.

11. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 41,702 and 40,707, respectively, and show an increase of 2,363 and 2,441 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 39,339 and 38,266 respectively.

12. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 38,913 to 41,291. There was an increase in the number of persons under trial from 62,170 to 64,006. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 8,192 to 8,680.

The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, was 64,469.

The following table exhibits the number of persons acquitted and convicted as contrasted with the figures of 1932 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1932	62,873	27,559	26,257
1933	64,469	26,663	28,558
	+ 1,596	— 896	+ 2,301

13. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1933, as contrasted with those in 1932 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1932 ...	24	58	5,853	19,828	192	837
1933 ...	16	50	4,043	24,014	147	580

The fines in 1933 amounted to Rs. 3,17,401-13-3 as against Rs. 2,83,527-4-11 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1933 amounted to Rs. 9,909-0-7 as against Rs. 11,451-0-3.

14. Particulars of the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The large number of acquittals and discharges compared with that of convictions is due to the fact that a number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

15. The work done by the various Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

16. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 339 to 411 in the year under report. A large portion of this crime, especially in Sukkur, Larkana, Nawabshah and Upper Sind Frontier districts arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report :—

District.	From motives connected with women.	For the sake of gain.	Other causes.
Karachi	7	1	9
Dadu	11	3	2
Hyderabad	17	1	16
Sukkur	42	...	16
Larkana	32	5	10
Nawabshah	22	1	11
Thar Parkar	12	...	12
Upper Sind Frontier	34	2	20

In the Upper Sind Frontier district 18 cases of murder and culpable homicide not amounting to murder were tried under the Sind Frontier Regulation III of 1892. Out of these in 15 cases the motive was connected with women.

17. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the public tranquility.
(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
(3) Relating to Governmant stamps.
(4) Relating to religion.
(5) Affecting life.
(6) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.
(7) Hurt.
(8) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
(9) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(10) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(11) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

(12) Offences under Special and Local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the State.

(2) By or relating to public servants.

(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(4) Relating to coin.

(5) Relating to weights and measures.

(6) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(7) Criminal force and assault.

(8) Rape.

(9) Unnatural offence.

(10) Theft, ordinary.

(11) Cattle theft.

(12) Robbery and dacoity.

(13) Criminal misappropriation.

(14) Receiving stolen property.

(15) Cheating.

(16) Mischief.

(17) Criminal trespass.

(18) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(19) Relating to marriage.

(20) Defamation.

18. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,679, that is 275 less than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 1,957 cases and were reversed or varied in 643 cases. The sentences were maintained intact in 73 per cent. of appeals, the percentage in the preceding year being 79.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	390
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	1,977
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	312

The criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, the Sessions Courts and the Courts of Magistrates show a decrease of 137, 77 and 61, respectively.

19. During the year under report the cases of 433 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 367 persons and the District Magistrates of 25. The principal results of this revision were that the sentences of 38 persons were reversed, of 10 persons altered, and the cases of 119 persons were otherwise disposed of.

20. The criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1932 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 29 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 16 the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 1 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life, in the case of 5 the conviction and sentence was set aside, and 1 person died and the cases of 6 persons were pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

21. The total number of civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 37,860 as compared with 41,676 in 1932. The number in each of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) filed in the two years was :—

District.	1932.	1933.
Hyderabad	10	3
Sukkur	1	1
Larkana		
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (Disrict Court Jurisdiction).	324	245

22. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1932 and 1933. Suits relating to immoveable property formed 1·58 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1932 was 1·61 :—

Nature.	1932.	1933.
Money or moveable property ...	37,636	34,158
Mortgage	855	729
Immoveable property	674	601

23. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,63,66,830-1-2 as compared with Rs. 1,35,77,988-4-3½ in 1932 and Rs. 1,41,82,319-5-10 in 1931.

24. The total number of suits disposed of was 38,775 as against 41,498 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1933 as compared with 1932 :—

Manner of disposal.	1932.	1933.
Without trial	6,522	6,283
By arbitration	4,922	2,465
After full trial	4,358	3,945

25. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 12,176 as against 12,442 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 506 as against 480.

26. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) the average duration of suits disposed of without trial and after full trial was 42 and 373 days respectively, in the year under report as against 392 days relating to suits disposed of after full trial only in the year 1932 In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of suits disposed of without trial and after full trial was 93 and 176 and in the Karachi Small Causes Court 21 and 115 days respectively.

27. The number of miscellaneous judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,123 as against 2,252 in 1932. The number disposed of was 1,420 as against 1,612 in 1932.

28. In the District Courts the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 115 and 202 days respectively; in the Judicial Commissioner's Court in its District Court Jurisdiction, it was 151 and 299 and in its High Court Jurisdiction 530 and 216 days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 115 and 86 and in the Karachi Small Causes Court it was 32 and 140 days, respectively.

29. The number of civil appeals before the District Courts was 672 as against 820 in 1932. Of these 330 were disposed of as compared with 436 in 1932. The number of civil appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1932.	1933.
Hyderabad	140	110
Sukkur	147	128
Larkana	149	92

30. The average duration of regular appeals in the District Courts which were confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded for retrial during the year under report was 711 days. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court, in its High Court Jurisdiction, it was for I Appeals 851 and II Appeals 579 days, respectively. The average duration is high because many old appeals were disposed of during 1933.

31. The number of miscellaneous appeals for disposal before the Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and High Court Jurisdiction) was 300 as against 307 in 1932, of these 153 were disposed of and the number disposed of during the previous year was 178. The number of miscellaneous appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with

the preceding year is as follows:—

District.	1932.	1933.
Hyderabad	25	37
Sukkur	61	41
Larkana	25	17
Judicial Commissioner's Court, District Court Jurisdiction.	19	8
Judicial Commissioner's Court, High Court Jurisdiction.	48	50

32. The average duration of miscellaneous appeals in the District Courts which were confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded for retrial was 224 days; in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, District and High Court Jurisdiction, it was 130 and 974 days respectively.

The high average duration appearing against the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind in its High Court Jurisdiction is due to special efforts having been made to dispose of old appeals.

33. There were in all 41,607 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 40,112 in 1932. Of these 32,521 were disposed of as against 31,672 in 1932. The amount realised in execution of the decrees under report was Rs. 14,96,072-0-10 as compared with Rs. 14,63,209-13-8 in the year 1932. Moveable property was sold in 248 cases as against 253 in 1932, and attached, but subsequently released in 473 as against 455 in 1932.

34. 289 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 332 in 1932. Out of 407 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 292 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 115. The number of insolvents discharged was 184 as against 162 in 1932. The orders of adjudication in respect of 11 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 181.

35. At the beginning of the year 1933, 1 appeal under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, was pending.

2 more were filed during the year under review making a total of 3. Out of these 1 was disposed of and 2 remained pending at the end of the year. There were no references under section 27 of the above Act.

36. At the opening of the year 6 applications for leave to appeal to His Majesty in Council were pending for orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. 5 new applications were filed during the year under report making a total of 11. Out of these certificates were granted in 3 matters, in 1 of which the certificate was subsequently revoked for failure to furnish security. 1 application was dismissed, thus leaving a balance of 7 pending at the close of the year.

37. Appendices D and E show the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High and District Court Jurisdiction) and the arrears awaiting disposal during the year under report as compared with that of 1932.

GENERAL.

38. There has been a slight decrease in the Civil and a slight increase in the Criminal work during the year under report; this however does not call for any comment.

39. As observed in the last year's report, Government, owing to the financial stringency, have again postponed the establishment of a Chief Court and the creation of a new Judicial District of Nawabshah.

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APPENDIX A.

Showing the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) :—

District.	Under trial (including the number pending from the previous year).	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	19,517	5,082	13,443	11	981
Dadu	4,751	2,531	1,371	5	844
Hyderabad	11,947	3,848	5,859	12	2,228
Sukkur	11,524	5,763	4,195	22	1,544
Larkana	5,428	3,241	1,119	13	1,055
Nawabshah	4,255	2,435	798	6	1,016
Thar Parkar	2,631	1,566	509	28	528
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,924	2,192	1,247	7	478
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	29	5	17	1	6
Total ...	64,006	26,663	28,558	105	8,680

APPENDIX B.

Showing the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years :—

District.	1931.				1932.				1933.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	17	19	118	118	36	28	158	151	30	31	244	244
Hyderabad ...	266	217	883	820	266	212	882	849	209	219	800	864
Sukkur	101	100	351	352	124	111	452	433	140	132	363	362
Larkana	89	76	392	368	93	97	350	375	109	111	377	380

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APPENDIX C.

Showing the Criminal Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1931.	1932. Filed	1932. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1932.	1933. Filed.	1933. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1933.
1	Appeals	43	293	291	45	308	288	65
2	Confirmation Cases	2	16	17	1	20	17	4
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	4	4	...	...	...	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	9	30	35	4	38	32	10
5	Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	14	14	...	...	...	...
6	Revision Applications	22	102	114	10	160	148	22
7	Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	13	12	1	21	22	...
8	Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	4	57	54	7	60	63	4

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APPENDIX D.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1931.	1932. Filed.	1932. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1932.	1933. Filed.	1933. Disposed of.	Arrears on 31st December 1933.
I Appeals	149	69	53	165	55	37	183
II Appeals	44	54	25	73	45	25	93
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	71	47	48	70	47	50	67
Applications under sections 23 and 24, Civil Procedure Code.	6	7	13	...	5	5	...
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	35	55	39	51	44	38	57
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	.	3	3	...	3	1	2
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	4	3	1	6	5	4	7
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	...	2	...	2	6	8	...
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	2	3	2	3	..	2	1
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	23	31	25	29	42	24	47
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	2	...	...	2	...	2	...
Applications under Act XI of 1922.	4	7	4	7	14	8	13
Applications under Act VIII of 1923.	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1935.	1	6	3	4	6	7	3
Applications under Act IV of 1929.	34	44	28	50	39	26	63
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827 and section 16 of Bombay Act XII of 1866.	4	6	6	4	6	8	2

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APPENDIX E.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on the 31st December 1931.	1932.		Arrears on the 31st December 1932.	1933.		Arrears on the 31st December 1933.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	5	18	19	4	11	8	7
Civil Suits	438	324	282	480	245	219	506
Execution Applications ...	451	1,046	1,010	487	938	919	566
Insolvency Applications ...	155	83	57	181	65	65	181
Applications under Order XXXIII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	2	20	14	8	17	11	14
Applications under section 24, Civil Procedure Code.	1	10	9	2	1	3	...
Applications under Order XXI, rule 58, Civil Procedure Code.	3	18	13	8	16	16	8
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	1	4	4	1	3	3	1
Applications under Act II of 1882.	4	5	6	3	6	7	2
Applications under Act VIII of 1890.	10	49	51	8	51	53	6
Applications under Act I of 1894	3	2	5	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act IX of 1899.	16	337	331	22	354	349	27.
Applications under Act III of 1909.	16	13	16	13	8	16	5
Applications under Act IV of 1912	...	2	1	1	..	1	...
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	1	2	3	...	10	8	2
Applications under Act XIV of 1920.	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act XLII of 1923.	...	1	1	...	6	6	...
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	10	70	61	19	60	76	3
Applications under Bombay Act III of 1901.	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Applications under Bombay Act I of 1905.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation VIII of 1827.	...	1	...	1	...	1	...

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STATEMENT No. 25—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions, and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1923.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks.
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges. Stipendiary (3).	Other Judges. Honorary.	Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts.	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges.	District Magistrates (5).	Other Magistrates. Stipendiary.	Other Magistrates. Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12.	13	14.
Sind	4 (a)	4	8 (b)	21 (c)	...	4	9	7 (a)	2 (d)	9	164 (e)	36 (f)	(a) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (b) 7 do both Civil and Criminal work. (c) 10 do both Civil and Criminal work. (d) First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers. They do both Civil and Criminal work. (e) 11 do both Civil and Criminal work. (f) Includes 10 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 4 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Sub-Judges, 8 Second Class Sub-Judges, 4 temporary Joint Sub-Judges, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT NO. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	38,775	34,105	392	153	*	*	
Criminal	37,710	757	2,074	133	..	...	

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	26,705	...	...	...	...	...	592	135	713	1,076	2,516	29,221
Small Cause Courts ...	7,353	856	...	181	...	1,037	...	...	...	...	...	8,390
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	99	9	...	3	...	12	9	3	16	106	134	245
Total ...	34,158	865	...	184	...	1,049	601	138	729	1,185	2,653	37,860

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STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,643	11,569	5,789	6,686	1,223	948	252	111	29,221	1,27,29,683 15 9
Small Cause Courts	514	3,290	1,876	2,229	332	149	...	...	8,390	11,15,971 2 1
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	...	..	1	...	...	3	4	860 0 0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	3	3	9	63	17	67	39	44	245	25,20,314 15 4
Total ...	3,160	14,862	7,674	8,978	1,573	1,164	291	158	37,860	1,63,66,830 1 2

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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of.						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under order IX, rules 3 and 8, Civil Procedure Code.	Otherwise	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7-A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	10,415	29,221	639	5	40,280	5,346	427	93	5,771	120	964	132
Small Cause Courts	1,545	8,390	...	...	9,935	380	125	21	2,951	49	2,803	47
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	4	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	480	245	5	...	730	3	2	42	63	71	9	27
Total ...	12,442	37,860	644	5	50,951	5,729	554	87	8,785	96	3,776	68
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	12,442	37,860	644	5	50,951	5,729	554	87	8,785	96	3,776	68

STATEMENT No. 29 (CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.												Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		After full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By transfer.		Total disposed of Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 20.					
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.						
—	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A			22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.															
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	12,399	72	2,377	409	176	2,365	140	489	23	30,547			9,733	989	
Small Cause Court	568	32	968	127	115	77	160	...	...	7,999			1,936	14	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	95	5			1	1	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	59	132	57	7	373	23	228	1	129	224			506	318	
Total ...	13,026	71	3,402	543	162	2,465	141	495	24	38,775			12,176	1,322	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.															
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...			..	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	13,026	71	3,402	543	162	2,465	141	495	24	38,775			12,176	1,322	

K. M PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under order IX, rules 3 and 8, Civil Procedure Code.	Otherwise.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	335	611	5	6	957	123	83	115	109	132	137	107
Small Cause Courts	8	45	...	...	53	5	...	32	3	38	3	37
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	87	230	3	1	321	14	40	115	11	189	26	119
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	62	417	...	...	479	3	1	161	3	99	246	187
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	148	165	...	...	313	...	4	530*	72	32	...	...
Total ...	640	1,468	8	7	2,123	145	128	120	198	97	412	155
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act. II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ..	640	1,468	8	7	2,123	145	128	120	198	97	412	155

* The average duration is high because many old applications were disposed of during 1933.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.												Remarks.
	Compromised.		Ater full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By Transfer.		Total disposed of, Cols. 7, 7A, 9, 11, 13 15, 16, 18 and 20.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
1	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges	29	174	94	41	186	2	304	8	132	626	331	64	
Small Cause Courts	1	151	15	10	140	...	...	...	...	37	16	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	16	290	11	25	292	...	...	73	19	216	105	29	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	31	53	108	29	299	...	...	...	...	421	58	17	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	22	22	216	...	...	...	...	120	193	110	
Total ...	77	149	250	127	238	2	304	81	31	1,420	703	220	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	77	149	250	127	238	2	304	81	31	1,420	703	220	

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Total Number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of.												Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for re trial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.		Total disposed of (Columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13).	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	384	287	1	672	56	375	172	32	43	27	711*	...	...	330	342	159	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) ...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st Appeals.	165	55	...	220	14	38	14	4	4	1	851†	...	...	37	183	143	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 2nd Appeals	78	45	...	118	15	41	5	2	2	1	579†	...	...	25	93	52	
Total ...	622	387	1	1,010	85	261	191	38	49	29	717	...	...	392	618	359	

* The average duration is high as there was heavy rush of criminal work in the year 1933 and preference was given to its disposal.

† The average duration is high as most of the matters disposed of were old.

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of.												
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for re-trial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.		Total disposed of (columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13.)	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	55	113	...	168	21	100	40	8	24	7	224	...	...	95	73	17	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	4	11	...	15	...	...	5	3	...	...	130	...	...	8	7	2	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	70	47	...	117	32	147	7	...	11	...	974*	...	...	50	67	40	
Total ...	129	171	...	300	53	128	52	6	35	7	352	...	...	153	147	59	

*The average duration is high as most of the matters disposed of were old.

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of.				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	5,337	6,636	1,923	4,243	...	3	467
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	2,202	3,172	1,345	1,658	...	2	167
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	18,070	36,797	19,936	9,921	449	94	6,397
Benches of Magistrates	15,454	16,189	2,864	11,981	...	1	1,343
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	5	19	7	12	...		...
Chief Magistrates of Districts	61	245	106	138	...	1	...
Courts of Session	573	1,382	477	588	14	3	300
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	29	5	17	...	1	6
Total ...	41,702	64,469	26,663	28,558	463	105	8 680

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT NO. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	413	177	106	49	57	1	...	23
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction)	2,139	1,111	313	202	277	72	2	162
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	407	186	64	32	26	3	1	95
Total ...	2,959	1,474	483	283	360	76	3	280
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	10	5	...	...	...	20	..	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	115	233	...	...	...	134	..	63
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	468	259	7	10	38	119	...	35
Total	593	497	7	10	38	273	...	98
GRAND TOTAL ...	3,552*	1,971	490	293	398	349	3	378

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 330 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons					Remarks.	
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Against the State	1	1	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Against the public tranquility ...	434	404	421	2,204	1,116	452	10	626	26	4
By or relating to public servants.	49	48	49	67	21	37	..	9	...	1
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	199	196	202	271	90	103	3	75	3	...
False evidence and offences against public justice.	341	312	331	510	228	127	6	149	19	10
Relating to coin	13	13	15	23	5	9	...	9	...	...
Relating to Government stamps.	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	..
Relating to weights and measures	12	12	12	13	3	10	...	...	...	...
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	116	116	118	150	37	102	...	11	...	..
Relating to religion ..	5	4	4	20	16	..	...	4	1	
Affecting the human body.										
Affecting life	411	409	434	823	323	264	2	234	2	..
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	2	2	2	3	...	3	...	...	..	..

Hurt	4,167	3,987	3,993	9,767	7,775	692	6	1,294	169	11
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	350	296	293	904	680	28	1	195	50	4
Criminal force and assault ...	439	426	438	1,119	766	165	3	185	9	4
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	221	196	200	828	378	109	2	339	22	3
Rape	21	21	21	52	17	25	1	9	..	...
Unnatural offence	43	42	42	58	12	24	1	21	1	..
Against property.										
Theft ordinary	1,493	1,447	1,509	2,552	736	1,298	8	510	16	30
Cattle theft	1,000	961	1,010	1,619	502	757	1	359	9	30
Extortion	19	17	17	35	20	8	...	7	...	2
Robbery and dacoity ...	151	140	155	616	248	142	5	221	10	1
Criminal misappropriation ...	314	273	276	451	356	23	1	71	37	4
Criminal breach of trust ...	417	347	363	517	277	103	11	126	62	8
Receiving stolen property ...	594	587	611	1,036	368	441	1	226	2	5
Cheating	758	672	717	1,216	902	73	5	236	84	2
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	102	78	69	308	180	17	...	111	23	1
Mischief	307	286	294	885	675	72	1	137	20	1
Criminal Trespass ...	1,023	964	1,004	2,386	1,646	344	3	393	51	8
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	25	22	23	39	9	5	2	23	3	...
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	651	566	591	2,655	1,968	43	1	643	82	3
Defamation	139	130	136	427	319	10	4	94	9	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,198	1,059	1,076	2,663	2,276	75	...	312	133	6
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	26,686	26,672	26,863	29,786	4,713	22,995	27	2,051	13	1
Total ...	41,702	40,707	41,291	64,006	26,663	28,558	105	8,680	856	139

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	181	5,661	4	63
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	531	1,380	12	35
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	2,721	5,521	128	396
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	6	11,376	...	1
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	12	...	1	3
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	57	43	....	7
Courts of Session	...	...	49	535	33	2	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	17	16	1	...	...	...	...
Total ...	17	16	50	4,043	24,014	147	580

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

Fine of		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				Remarks.
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.					
5,349	312	38,096 7 0	28,405 12 6	1,370 0 0	23	131	27	...	
1,176	204	20,237 6 9	12,875 8 9	3,057 6 9	170	167	194	...	
3,240	2,281	1,32,713 15 6	74,423 12 11	4,903 9 10	169	1,276	1,259	17	
11,257	119	71,089 0 0	51,334 0 0	10 0 0	2	4	...	...	
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	11	1	
...	43	8,800 0 0	4,635 1 0	168 0 0	1	...	24	32	
1	32	46,465 0 0	6,048 3 6	400 0 0	3	48	101	383	
...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
21,023	2,991	3,17,401 13 3	1,77,722 6 8	9,909 0 7	368	1,626	1,616	433	

K. M. PANJABI,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	43	117	7	5	...	2	202
Court of 1st Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	56	266	...	..	..	...	...
Court of 2nd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	56	194	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 3rd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	64	287	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	217	102	115	126	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	1,847	1,291	556	888	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	3,139	2,505	634	678	..
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	1,902	1,446	456	556	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	1,074	933	141	180	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas Regular.	...	..	2,158	1,554	604	577	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	675	585	90	105	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	2,122	1,770	352	382	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	1,020	875	145	164	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular	...	...	1,292	922	370	345	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,605	1,313	292	254	...
Total ...	219	864	17,056	13,301	3,755	4,257	202
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	71	190	1	...	1	...	315
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	49	172	..	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	12	...	982	552	430	456	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	1,832	1,205	627	361	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	175	96	79	88	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	1,888	1,187	701	683	...
Small Causes Court, Shikarpur ...	...	...	1,323	1,085	238	251	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	1,358	1,099	259	267	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,877	1,377	500	662	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	1,002	860	142	144	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	1,324	942	382	401	...
Total ...	132	362	11,762	8,403	3,359	3,313	315

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1933.

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation—columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
19	92	96	5	19	...	22	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
40	...	...	...	42	...	...	
26	...	...	...	11	...	..	
25	...	...	...	3	...	...	
...	...	...	123	82	67	...	
...	...	...	928	67	143	...	
...	...	...	1,637	15	9	...	
...	...	...	1,467	20	9	...	
...	...	...	670	3	...	...	
...	...	...	1,498	42	19	...	
...	...	...	500	1	...	...	
...	...	...	932	37	26	...	
...	...	...	519	3	1	...	
...	...	...	834	19	15	...	
...	...	...	1,150	..	1	...	
110	92	96	10,263	364	290	22	
88	187	177	18	84	1	97	
40	...	...	7	3	...	...	
...	...	...	372	92	157	...	
...	...	...	1,134	11	57	...	
...	...	...	146	10	37	...	
...	...	...	1,172	28	175	...	
...	...	...	798	5	4	...	
...	...	...	1,496	34	41	...	
...	...	...	1,253	6	1	...	
...	...	...	525	23	15	...	
..	...	...	807	8	...	..	
128	187	177	7,728	304	488	97	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8*
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	10	248	...	...	...	...	155
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	45	132	...	...	..	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	6	...	100	49	51	46	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	3,964	2,832	1,132	1,201	...
Small Causes Court, ...	...	...	1,910	1,519	391	470	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	2,277	1,844	433	412	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	613	524	89	82	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,649	1,284	365	486	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	..	...	955	796	159	150	...
Total ...	111	380	11,468	8,848	2,620	2,847	155
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	31	244	730	224	506	480	...
Karachi Small Causes Court ...	...	...	9,935	7,999	1,936	1,545	...
Total ...	31	244	10,665	8,223	2,442	2,025	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	219	864	17,056	13,301	3,755	4,257	202
Sukkur	132	362	11,762	8,403	3,359	3,313	315
Larkana	111	380	11,468	8,848	2,620	2,847	155
Karachi	31	244	10,665	8,223	2,442	2,025	...
Total ...	493	1,850	50,951	38,775	12,176	12,442	672
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	338

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1933—*concld.*

WORK							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation—columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
51	63	111	2	24	...	40	*Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
41	...	...	2	30	...	...	
...	...	...	59	27	21	...	
...	...	...	2,081	33	146	...	
...	...	...	862	6	28	...	
...	...	...	1,517	11	2	...	
...	...	...	474	...	...	...	
...	...	...	859	20	13	...	
...	...	...	586	...	2	...	
92	63	111	6,442	151	212	40	
...	...	...	919	479	318	...	
...	...	...	7,169	37	14	...	
...	...	...	8,088	516	332	...	
110	92	96	10,263	364	290	22	
128	187	177	7,728	304	488	97	
92	63	111	6,442	151	212	40	
...	...	...	6,088	516	332	...	
330	342	384	32,521	1,335	1,322	159	
62	276	238	...	...	...	200	

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Karachi, 1st October 1935.

From

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BARRISTER-AT-LAW, I.C.S.,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
HOME DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

G. DAVIS,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Preliminary Remarks.

The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,884,277 according to the Census of 1931.

2. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. V. M. Ferrers, I.C.S., from 1st January to 31st December 1934.

3. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

(1) Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Barrister-at-Law, from 1st January to 2nd May 1934.

(2) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 23rd May and from 8th November to 31st December 1934.

(3) Mr. Dadiba C. Mehta, M.A.,LL.B., from 1st January to 20th December 1934.

(4) Mr. M. A. Haveliwala, Barrister-at-Law, from 19th May to 16th June and from 26th November to 31st December 1934.

(5) Mr. D. N. O'Sullivan, Barrister-at-Law, from 18th June to 25th November 1934.

(6) Mr. Charles M. Lobo, LL.B., from 9th July to 3rd November 1934.

4. The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from the 24th May to 23rd June 1934.

5. There were on 31st December 1934:—

3 Sessions Judges.

4 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Subordinate Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

10 District Magistrates, including the Officiating Backward Class Officer, Bombay Presidency, as Additional District Magistrate, Hyderabad, Nawabshah and Thar Parkar, and the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

162 Stipendiary Magistrates.

28 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 9 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from amongst 61 Honorary Magistrates.

6. There were on 31st December 1934 :—

3 District Judges.

4 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Subordinate Judges.

16 Second Class Subordinate Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Subordinate Judges.

7. The annual cold weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in December 1934 and January 1935, by the Judicial Commissioner of Sind. The following Courts were inspected :—

The District and Sessions Courts of Hyderabad and Sukkur; the First Class Subordinate Courts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Shikarpur; the Courts of the Subordinate Judge and First Class Magistrate, Tatta, Mirpurkhas, Rohri and Jacobabad; the Courts of the City Magistrate, Hyderabad, Shikarpur and Sukkur; the Court of the Additional City Magistrate, Hyderabad; the Court of the Resident Magistrate, Tando Muhammadkhan; the Court of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Kandhkot at Jacobabad; and the Courts of the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Tatta, Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Rohri and Jacobabad.

8. The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Naushahro, Shahdadpur, Mirpurkhas and Tatta; the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Courts of Shikarpur, Sukkur and Rohri; while the Assistant Judge, Sukkur, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Jacobabad; and the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Sehwan.

9. The District Judge, Sukkur, convened a Judicial Conference of Judicial Officers, Advocates and Pleaders of the District and several points relating to the practice and procedure of Civil Courts were discussed.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

10. The number of offences reported and those returned as true during the year under review are 43,714 and 42,681, respectively, and show an increase of 2,012 and 1,974 as compared with the figures of the preceding year, which are 41,702 and 40,707 respectively.

11. There was a corresponding increase in the number of cases brought to trial from 41,291 to 43,327. There was an increase in the number of persons under trial from 64,006 to 65,715. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 8,680 to 10,932.

The total number of persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, was 66,121.

The following table exhibits the number of persons acquitted and convicted as contrasted with the figures of 1933:—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.
1933	64,469	26,663	28,558
1934	66,121	23,723	30,829
	+ 1,652	— 2,940	+ 2,271

12. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1934 as contrasted with those in 1933:—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.
1933 ...	16	50	4,043	24,014	147	580
1934 ...	18	54	3,931	26,052	182	819

The fines in 1934 amounted to Rs. 2,50,464-8-0 as against Rs. 3,17,401-13-3 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1934 amounted to Rs. 7,774-13-0 as against Rs. 9,909-0-7.

13. Particulars of the results of trials of persons in different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) are given in Appendix A.

The large number of acquittals and discharges compared with that of convictions is reported to be due to the fact that a number of cases were compounded or withdrawn.

14. The work done by the various Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years is shown in Appendix B.

15. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 411 to 353 in the year under report. A large portion of this crime, especially in Sukkur, Nawabshah and Upper Sind Frontier districts arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report: —

District.	From motives connected with women.	For the sake of gain.	Other causes.
Karachi	2	9	5
Dadu	7	...	6
Hyderabad	17	...	16
Sukkur	31	...	27
Larkana	10	1	5
Nawabshah	20	1	17
Thar Parkar	10	1	6
Upper Sind Frontier	30	2	14

In the Upper Sind Frontier district 14 cases of murder and culpable homicide not amounting to murder were tried under the Sind Frontier Regulation, III of 1892. Out of these in 11 cases the motive was connected with women.

16. There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads:—

(1) False evidence and offences against public justice.

(2) Relating to coin.

(3) Relating to Government stamps.

(4) Relating to religion.

(5) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.

(6) Criminal force and assault.

(7) Unnatural offence.

(8) Theft ordinary.

(9) Robbery and dacoity.

(10) Criminal misappropriation.

(11) Cheating.

(12) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.

(13) Criminal breach of contracts of service.

(14) Defamation.

(15) Offences under Special and Local Laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) Against the State.

(2) Against the public tranquility.

(3) By or relating to public servants.

(4) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

(5) Relating to weights and measures.

(6) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.

(7) Affecting life.

(8) Hurt.

(9) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.

(10) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.

(11) Rape.

(12) Cattle-theft.

(13) Extortion.

(14) Criminal breach of trust.

(15) Receiving stolen property.

(16) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.

(17) Mischief.

(18) Criminal trespass.

(19) Relating to marriage.

(20) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

17. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,597, that is, 82 less than in the preceding year. Out of these sentences were left unaltered in 1,873 cases and were reversed or varied in 655 cases. The sentences were maintained intact in 72 per cent. of appeals, the percentage in the preceding year being 73.

The above appeals were thus distributed:—

(1) Magistrates' Courts	381
(2) Sessions Courts (including Judicial Commissioner's Court)	1,771
(3) Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	445

The criminal appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind show an increase of 133 and those in the Sessions Courts and the Courts of Magistrates show a decrease of 206 and 9, respectively.

18. During the year under report the cases of 245 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 311 persons and the District Magistrates of 29. The principal results of this revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind were that the sentences of 32 persons were reversed, of 16 persons altered and the cases of 83 persons were otherwise disposed of.

19. The criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1933 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix C.

The cases of 33 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 18 the sentence of death was confirmed; in the case of 5 the sentence was commuted to that of transportation for life, in the case of 3 the conviction and sentence was set aside,

and in the case of 2 the conviction and sentence was altered; in the case of 3 the case was referred to the third Judge for decision as there was difference of opinion among the members of the Bench and the Judge who heard the reference ordered re-trial of the whole case; and the cases of 2 persons were pending at the close of the year.

CIVIL JUSTICE.

20. The total number of civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 31,819 as compared with 37,860 in 1933. The number in each of the Districts Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) filed in the two years was :—

District.	1933.	1934.
Hyderabad	3	2
Sukkur	1	2
Larkana	...	...
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction). ...	245	249

21. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1933 and 1934. Suits relating to immoveable property formed 1·72 per cent. of the total number of suits filed. The percentage for 1933 was 1·58.

Nature.	1933.	1934.
Money or moveable property ...	34,158	28,397
Mortgage	729	719
Immoveable property	601	550

22. The total value of the subject-matter of the suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 1,35,79,506-0-2½ as compared with Rs. 1,63,66,830-1-2 in 1933 and Rs. 1,35,77,988-4-3½ in 1932.

23. The total number of suits disposed of was 34,906 as against 38,775 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1934 as compared with 1933:—

Manner of disposal.	1933.	1934.
Without trial	6,283	5,474
By arbitration	2,465	2,549
After full trial	3,945	4,083

24. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 9,722 as against 12,176 in the previous year. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court the number pending was 518 as against 506.

25. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) the average duration of suits disposed of without trial and after full trial was 24 and 186 days, respectively in the year under report as against 42 and 373, respectively in the year 1933. The comparative shortness of average duration is partly to be explained by the fact that the method of calculation has regard to cases disposed of and not to cases left pending. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of suits disposed of without trial and after full trial was 91 and 214 and in the Karachi Small Causes Court 47 and 124 days, respectively.

26. The number of miscellaneous judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 2,232 as against 2,123 in 1933. The number disposed of was 1,490 as against 1,420 in 1933.

27. In the District Courts the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 186 and 260 days, respectively; and in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, in its District Court Jurisdiction the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of after full trial was 274 days and in its High Court Jurisdiction the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 466 and 124 days, respectively. In the Subordinate Courts the average duration of miscellaneous cases disposed of without trial and after full trial was 172 and 270 and in the Karachi Small Causes Court it was 52 and 150 days, respectively.

28. The number of civil appeals before the District Courts was 728 as against 672 in 1933. Of these 340 were disposed of as

compared with 330 in 1933. The number of civil appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1933.	1934.
Hyderabad	110	134
Sukkur	128	170
Larkana	92	36

29. The average duration of regular appeals in the District Courts which were confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded for re-trial during the year under report was 415 days. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court, in its High Court Jurisdiction, it was for First Appeals 1,145 and Second Appeals 469 days, respectively. The average duration is high because many old appeals were disposed of during 1934.

30. The number of miscellaneous appeals for disposal before the Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and High Court Jurisdictions) was 402 as against 300 in 1933. Of these 249 were disposed of and the number disposed of during the previous year was 153. The number of miscellaneous appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows :—

District.	1933.	1934.
Hyderabad	37	135
Sukkur	41	66
Larkana	17	19
Judicial Commissioner's Court, (District Court Jurisdiction).	8	14
Judicial Commissioner's Court, (High Court Jurisdiction),	50	15

31. The average duration of miscellaneous appeals in the District Courts which were confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded for re-trial was 165 days; in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, District and High Court Jurisdictions, it was 95 and 289 days, respectively.

32. There were in all 41,728 applications for execution before the Civil Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, as against 41,607 in 1933. Of these 33,425 were disposed of as against 32,521 in 1933. The amount realised in execution of the decrees under report was Rs. 12,77,593-11-3 as compared with Rs. 14,96,072-0-10 in the year 1933. Moveable property was sold in 213 cases as against 248 in 1933, and attached but subsequently released in 389 cases as against 473 in 1933.

33. 284 insolvency petitions were presented during the year as against 289 in 1933. Out of 399 petitions for disposal before the Courts in the Province of Sind, 312 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 87. The number of insolvents discharged was 186 as against 184 in 1933. The orders of adjudication in respect of 6 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 197.

34. There were 2 appeals pending under section 30 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, VIII of 1923, during the year under review which remained undisposed of at the close of the year. There were no references under section 27 of the above Act.

35. At the opening of the year 7 applications for leave to appeal to His Majesty in Council were pending for orders in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. Two new applications were filed during the year under report making a total of 9. Out of these, 1 application was dismissed, thus leaving a balance of 8 pending at the close of the year.

36. Appendices D and E show the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High and District Court Jurisdictions) and the arrears awaiting disposal during the year under report as compared with that of 1933.

GENERAL.

37. There has been a slight decrease in the civil and a slight increase in the criminal work during the year under report; this however does not call for any comment.

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Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

APPENDIX A.

Showing the results of trials of persons in the different districts (including persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) :—

District.	Under-trial (including the number pending from the previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
Karachi	22,726	4,373	15,666	108	2,579
Dadu	4,770	2,219	1,459	13	1,079
Hyderabad	10,887	3,865	4,948	36	2,038
Sukkur	11,628	4,950	4,641	22	2,015
Larkana	5,463	2,848	1,517	21	1,077
Nawabshah	4,262	2,300	1,068	10	884
Thar Parkar	2,557	1,362	535	10	650
Upper Sind Frontier ...	3,392	1,803	970	11	608
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ...	30	3	25	...	2
Total ...	65,715	23,723	30,829	231	10,932

APPENDIX B.

Showing the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind) for the last three years :—

District.	1932.				1933.				1934.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	36	28	158	151	30	31	244	244	41	38	292	161
Hyderabad ...	266	212	882	849	209	219	800	864	218	235	639	614
Sukkur	124	111	452	433	140	132	363	362	122	126	369	359
Larkana	93	97	350	375	109	111	377	380	108	99	331	306

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APPENDIX C.

Showing the Criminal Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1932.	1933.		Arrears on 31st December 1933.	1934.		Arrears on 31st December 1934.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Appeals	45	308	288	65	362	375	52
2	Confirmation Cases	1	20	17	4	20	22	2
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	5	5	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	4	38	32	10	53	55	8
5	Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	...	...	...	6	6	...
6	Revision Applications	10	160	148	22	140	120	42
7	Applications under section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	21	22	...	22	22	...
8	Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	7	60	63	4	66	69	1

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APPENDIX D.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1932.	1933.		Arrears on 31st December 1933.	1934.		Arrears on 31st December 1934.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	165	55	37	183	62	29	216
II Appeals	73	45	25	93	54	22	125
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	70	47	50	67	29	15	81
Applications under section 24, Civil Procedure Code.	...	5	5	...	4	4	...
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	51	44	38	57	42	35	64
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	...	3	1	2	3	2	3
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	6	5	4	7	2	2	7
Applications under Order XLVII, rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	2	6	8	...	...	...	...
Applications under section 17 of Act IV of 1869.	3	...	2	1	3	1	3
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	29	42	24	47	39	17	69
Applications under section 66 of Act XI of 1922.	...	...	...	...	4	1	3
Applications under Act VIII of 1923.	...	2	...	2	...	...	2
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	4	6	7	3	9	8	4
Applications under Act IV of 1929.	50	39	26	63	65	33	95
Applications under Bombay Regulation II of 1827, section 16 of Bombay Act, XII of 1866, and Indian Bar Councils Act, XXXVIII of 1926.	4	6	8	2	5	5	2

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APPENDIX E.

Showing the Civil Work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) during the year under report as compared with the preceding year :—

Description.	Arrears on the 31st December 1932.	1933.		Arrears on the 31st December 1933.	1934.		Arrears on the 31st December 1934.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	4	11	8	7	8	14	1
Civil Suits	480	245	219	506	249	237	518
Execution Applications ...	487	938	919	506	868	838	536
Insolvency Applications ...	181	65	65	181	64	48	197
Applications under Order XXXIII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	8	17	11	14	20	16	18
Applications under section 24, Civil Procedure Code.	2	1	3	...	8	8	...
Applications under Order XXI, rule 58, Civil Procedure Code.	8	16	16	8	10	8	10
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	1	3	3	1	2	2	1
Applications under Act XVIII of 1879.	...	1	1	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act II of 1882.	3	6	7	2	7	5	4
Applications under Act VIII of 1890.	8	51	53	6	30	26	10
Applications under Act I of 1894 .	...	1	1	...	1	...	1
Applications under Act IX of 1899.	22	354	349	27	238	235	30
Applications under Act III of 1909.	13	8	16	5	43	8	40
Applications under Act IV of 1912.	1	...	1	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	...	10	8	2	4	4	2
Applications under Act XIV of 1920.	...	1	1	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act XLII of 1923.	...	6	6	...	...	...	...
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	19	60	76	3	54	42	15
Applications under Bombay Act III of 1901.	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Applications under Bombay Act I of 1905.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Applications under Bombay Regulation VIII of 1827.	1	...	1	...	...	...	...

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STATEMENT No. 25—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1934.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks.
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges.		Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of districts.	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges.	District Magistrates (5).	Other Magistrates.		
				Stipendiary (3).	Honorary.						Stipendiary.	Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	4 (a)	4	8 (b)	21 (c)	...	4	9	7 (a)	2 (d)	10	162 (e)	37 (f)	(a) Do both Civil and Criminal work. (b) 7 do both Civil and Criminal work. (c) 10 do both Civil and Criminal work. (d) First Class Sub-Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers. They do both Civil and Criminal work. (e) 11 do both Civil and Criminal work. (f) Includes 9 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 4 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Sub-Judges, 8 Second Class Sub-Judges, 4 temporary Joint Sub-Judges, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Sub-Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes the Officiating Backward Class Officer, Bombay Presidency, as Additional District Magistrate, Hyderabad, who exercised all the powers of the District Magistrate in those cases only in which any member of a Criminal Tribe notified under the Criminal Tribes Act, 1924 (VI of 1924), is a party, in the Hyderabad, Nawabshah and Thar Parkar districts; and the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Rs.	Rs.	
Sind—							
Civil	34,906	35,135	391	249	*	*	
Criminal	39,065	485	1,858	223	...	...	

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	21,089	...	...	...	...	...	533	130	696	971	2,330	23,419
Small Cause Courts ...	7,200	781	...	166	...	947	...	...	...	...	...	8,147
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	106	6	...	8	...	14	17	2	23	87	129	249
Total ...	28,397	787	...	174	...	961	550	132	719	1,060	2,461	31,819

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STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,298	9,528	4,392	5,189	969	713	240	90	23,419	1,08,86,810 12 7
Small Cause Courts	804	3,396	1,559	1,969	272	147	...	...	8,147	10,79,329 12 7½
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	...	2	1	....	...	1	4	1,443 13 6
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	4	7	8	76	28	73	24	29	249	16,11,921 9 6
Total ...	3,106	12,931	5,959	7,236	1,270	933	264	120	31,819	1,35,79,506 0 2½

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of.						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received	Total.	Under Order IX, rules 3 and 8, Civil Procedure Code.	Otherwise	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7-A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	9,733	23,419	630	3	33,785	4,802	409	.91	5,101	126	1,245	156
Small Cause Courts	1,936	8,147	...	...	10,083	129	121	47	2,988	49	2,931	49
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	1	4	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	247	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	506	249	...	...	755	4	9	24	37	74	28	23
Total ...	12,176	31,819	630	3	44,628	4,935	539	89	8,127	98	4,204	81
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	12,176	31,819	630	3	44,628	4,935	539	89	8,127	98	4,204	81

STATEMENT No. 29 (CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.										Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		After full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By transfer.		Total disposed of Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 20.			
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
—	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	9,706	82	2,357	512	214	2,415	173	79	86	26,626	7,159	828	
Small Cause Courts	640	49	938	182	124	111	133	...	...	8,040	2,043	8	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	1	...	337	...	...	1	48	3	2	...	
ial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	43	114	78	15	186	23	207	...	...	237	518	340	
Total ...	10,389	80	3,374	709	189	2,549	172	80	86	34,906	9,722	1,176	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	10,389	80	3,374	709	189	2,549	172	80	86	34,906	9,722	1,176	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
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STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of.						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under Order IX, rules 3 and 8, Civil Procedure Code.	Otherwise.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7-A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	331	626	7	...	964	168	103	172	107	150	117	121
Small Cause Courts	16	49	...	...	65	5	...	52	...	...	10	58
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	105	320	...	2	427	35	45	186	16	198	55	45
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	58	377	...	...	435	...	...	...	17	125	256	195
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	193	148	...	...	341	...	5	466*	79	119	...	...
Total ...	703	1,520	7	2	2,232	208	153	178	219	140	438	153
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act, II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	703	1,520	7	2	2,232	208	153	178	219	140	438	153

* The average duration is high because many old applications were disposed of during 1934.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.										Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		After full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By Transfer.		Total disposed of, Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 20.			
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges	50	110	79	53	270	3	146	...	...	680	284	40	
Small Cause Courts	1	52	13	15	150	...	...	...	...	44	21	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	10	255	36	34	260	...	...	94	9	325	102	30	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	12	79	58	6	274	...	...	...	...	349	86	14	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	...	3	5	124	...	...	...	...	92	249	171	
Total ...	73	124	189	113	253	3	146	94	9	1,490	742	255	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	73	124	189	113	253	3	146	94	9	1,490	742	255	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of.									Total disposed of (Columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13).	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for re-trial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.					
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	342	382	4	728	93	156	133	34	53	27	415	...	...	340	388	144	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st appeals.	183	62	...	245	24	226	3	...	2	...	1,145*	...	...	29	216	171	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 2nd appeals.	93	54	...	147	20	84	1	...	1	...	469*	...	...	22	125	85	
Total ...	618	498	4	1,120	137	158	137	34	56	27	430	...	...	391	729	400	

*The average duration is high as most of the old matters were withdrawn.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of.									Total disposed of (columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13.)	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for re-trial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.					
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	73	216	2	291	83	83	50	6	77	4	165	...	...	220	71	11	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	7	8	...	15	...	...	6	3	4	1	95	...	...	14	1	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	67	29	...	96	9	112	2	3	1	...	289	...	...	15	81	60	
Total ...	147	253	2	402	92	86	58	12	82	5	164	...	...	249	153	71	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
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Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of.				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	10,620	12,286	1,972	8,686	...	99	1,529
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	2,575	3,434	1,362	1,822	...	1	249
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	18,334	36,548	17,365	11,189	389	119	7,486
Benches of Magistrates	11,604	12,096	2,427	8,319	...	1	1,349
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	4	9	2	7	...	...	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts	56	179	57	122	...	...	...
Courts of Session	521	1,536	535	659	14	11	317
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	33	3	25	3	...	2
Total ...	43,714	66,121	23,723	30,829	406	231	10,932

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34 (CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	396	195	53	58	61	14	...	15
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	2,097	966	316	139	310	35	5	326
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	533	227	116	27	60	14	1	88
Total ...	3,026	1,388	485	224	431	63	6	429
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	4	27	...	...	...	2	...	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	148	241	...	...	...	70	...	98
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	315	87	27	16	32	83	...	82
Total ...	467	355	27	16	32	155	...	180
GRAND TOTAL ...	3,493*	1,743	512	240	463	218	6	609

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 298 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons					Remarks.	
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Against the State	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Against the public tranquility ...	326	282	296	1,898	1,032	324	3	539	29	15
By or relating to public servants.	25	24	25	60	16	37	..	7	...	1
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	182	182	192	281	59	142	2	78	..	...
False evidence and offences against public justice.	394	364	389	590	233	175	7	175	22	8
Relating to coin	23	22	21	60	7	12	1	40	1	...
Relating to Government stamps.	4	4	4	10	2	2	...	6	...	...
Relating to weights and measures	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	107	106	110	145	35	92	...	18	1	...
Relating to religion ..	10	10	10	25	14	10	...	1	...	...
Affecting the human body.										
Affecting life	353	347	381	855	238	248	4	365	4	2
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	8	6	6	8	3	2	...	3	2	...

Hurt	3,535	3,408	3,490	8,973	6,521	814	12	1,626	113	14
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	242	207	216	861	620	55	...	186	34	1
Criminal force and assault ...	468	432	444	1,149	827	96	1	225	35	1
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	213	181	194	845	404	119	6	316	25	7
Rape	13	12	13	18	4	8	...	6	1	...
Unnatural offence	70	67	68	99	29	44	2	24	2	1
Against property.										
Theft ordinary	1,603	1,561	1,608	2,787	764	1,426	25	572	30	12
Cattle theft	926	890	940	1,590	444	756	7	383	11	25
Extortion	14	7	7	23	12	1	...	10	7	...
Robbery and dacoity ...	191	168	187	558	197	192	5	164	20	3
Criminal misappropriation ...	347	291	292	487	401	25	3	58	56	...
Criminal breach of trust ...	350	309	330	446	213	89	2	142	35	6
Receiving stolen property ...	497	492	534	831	291	360	4	176	4	1
Cheating	997	868	903	1,474	1,072	49	4	349	122	7
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	93	85	88	358	216	25	...	117	8	...
Mischief	249	221	223	648	480	44	...	124	26	2
Criminal Trespass ...	1,007	961	991	2,347	1,507	324	4	512	34	12
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	36	36	39	91	48	15	...	28	...	...
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	2	2	2	4	3	1	...	...	...	...
Relating to marriage ...	598	518	538	2,301	1,439	47	7	808	79	1
Defamation	191	177	180	425	294	25	1	105	14	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,194	1,012	1,049	2,628	2,202	61	3	362	175	7
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	29,445	29,428	29,556	32,839	4,096	25,209	128	3,406	16	1
Total ...	43,714	42,681	43,327	65,715	23,723	30,839	231	10,932	906	127

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	264	8,361	47	82
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	83	1,731	...	15
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	2,893	7,614	134	665
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	14	8,304	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	4	...	...	3
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	69	13	1	50
Courts of Session	...	...	49	602	29	...	4
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	28	18	5	2	...	...	...
Total ...	28	18	54	3,931	26,052	182	819

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

Fine of		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				Remarks.
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
8,043	318	38,893 11 0	29,648 0 1	1,521 2 0	43	156	65	...	
1,633	98	10,610 8 0	7,062 5 3	391 6 0	3	80	...	...	
5,924	1,690	1,52,479 13 0	96,076 4 6	5,812 5 0	106	1,413	1,299	75	
8,285	19	16,400 8 0	15,265 11 0	50 0 0	6	8	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	
...	13	5,800 0 0	257 9 6	...	5	6	11	47	
...	29	26,280 0 0	21,526 14 0	...	11	56	139	396	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
23,885	2,167	2,59,464 8 0	1,69,836 10 4	7,774 13 0	174	1,721	1,516	520	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8*
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge,	51	100	2	2	...	...	242
Court of 1st Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	64	136	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 2nd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	52	152	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 3rd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	68	226	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	220	92	128	115	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	1,387	823	564	556	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	2,724	2,193	531	634	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	1,377	1,045	332	456	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	856	709	147	141	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	1,674	1,302	372	604	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	476	423	53	90	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,675	1,434	241	352	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	895	787	108	145	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular.	...	...	1,134	856	278	370	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,191	972	219	292	...
Total ...	235	614	13,611	10,638	2,973	3,755	242
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	55	170	3	1	2	1	346
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	61	189	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	10	...	847	612	235	430	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	1,925	1,712	213	627	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	157	70	87	79	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	1,690	1,057	633	701	...
Small Causes Court, Shikarpur ...	...	...	1,385	1,061	324	238	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	1,480	1,160	320	259	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,406	1,212	194	500	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	1,044	795	249	142	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	888	761	127	382	...
Total ...	126	359	10,825	8,441	2,384	3,359	346

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1934.

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation—columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
39	108	92	1	13	...	30	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
28	...	...	...	23	...	...	
36	...	...	5	27	...	..	
31	...	...	2	21	...	...	
...	...	...	131	87	61	...	
...	...	...	1,021	62	163	...	
...	...	...	1,500	16	12	...	
...	...	...	1,392	41	5	...	
...	..	...	701	2	...	...	
...	...	...	1,519	40	27	...	
...	..	...	493	1	...	...	
...	...	...	1,139	37	10	...	
...	...	...	553	...	1	...	
...	...	...	851	17	19	...	
...	...	...	1,015	..	2	...	
134	108	92	10,323	387	300	30	
106	176	187	1	101	..	66	
64	...	...	...	73	...	...	
...	...	...	450	102	85	...	
...	...	...	1,316	11	5	...	
...	...	...	148	6	45	...	
...	...	...	1,279	73	191	...	
...	...	...	802	2	2	...	
...	...	...	1,597	38	19	...	
...	...	...	1,423	8	...	...	
...	...	...	807	37	7	...	
..	...	...	516	5	...	..	
170	176	187	8,339	456	354	66	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	68	298	...	...	...	...	140
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	...	8	...	...	..	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge	31	...	93	62	31	51	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	..	..	3,057	2,333	724	1,132	...
Small Causes Court, ...	...	...	1,554	1,304	250	391	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	1,972	1,639	333	433	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	540	467	73	89	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,281	1,030	251	365	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	...	...	857	715	142	159	...
Total ...	99	306	9,354	7,550	1,804	2,620	140
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	38	161	755	237	518	506	...
Karachi Small Causes Court ...	...	...	10,083	8,040	2,043	1,936	...
Total ...	38	161	10,838	8,277	2,561	2,442	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	235	614	13,611	10,638	2,973	3,755	242
Sukkur	126	359	10,825	8,441	2,384	3,339	346
Larkana	99	306	9,354	7,550	1,804	2,620	140
Karachi	38	161	10,838	8,277	2,561	2,442	...
Total ...	498	1,440	44,628	34,906	9,722	12,176	728
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Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation—columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
36	104	63	...	58	...	48	*Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
...	...	...	...	9	...	...	
...	...	...	61	19	16	...	
...	...	...	2,106	33	132	...	
...	...	...	912	7	1	...	
...	...	...	1,847	21	6	...	
...	...	...	552	...	...	...	
...	...	...	973*	15	17	...	
...	...	...	677	...	2	...	
36	104	63	7,128	162	174	48	
...	...	...	838	349	340	...	
...	...	...	6,797	44	8	...	
...	...	...	7,635	393	348	...	
134	108	92	10,323	387	300	30	
170	176	187	8,339	456	354	66	
36	104	63	7,128	162	174	48	
...	...	...	7,635	393	348	...	
360	388	342	33,425	1,398	1,176	144	
51	341	276	...	...	...	256	

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Karachi, 30th September 1936.

From

GODFREY DAVIS, ESQUIRE,
JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF SIND.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SIND,
SECRETARIAT, KARACHI.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind, for the year 1935.

The Judicial Statements accompany the Report.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

G. DAVIS,
Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

1. *Preliminary Remarks.*—The area of the territories to which the statements relate is 46,506 square miles, and the population 3,884,277 according to the census of 1931.

2. *Judicial Staff.*—(*a*) The Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind was presided over by Mr. V. M. Ferrers, I C.S., from 1st January to 31st May 1935 and by Mr. Godfrey Davis, Barrister-at-Law, I.C.S., from 1st June to 31st December 1935.

The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners :—

(1) Mr. Rupchand Bilaram, LL.B., from 1st January to 17th October and from 18th November to 31st December 1935 ;

(2) Mr. Dadiba C. Mehta, M.A., LL.B., from 10th January to 5th March and from 7th September to 31st December 1935 ;

(3) Mr. M. A. Havelivala, Barrister-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1935 ;

(4) Mr. Godfrey Davis, Barrister-at-Law, I.C.S., from 6th March to 31st May 1935 ; and

(5) Mr. Charles M. Lobo, LL.B., from 1st June to 5th September 1935.

(*b*) There were on 31st December 1935—

3 District Judges.

5 Assistant Judges.

2 Small Cause Court Judges (including the Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Subordinate Judges.

14 Second Class Subordinate Judges, including 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Subordinate Judges.

There were on 31st December 1935—

3 Sessions Judges.

5 Additional Sessions Judges and 2 First Class Subordinate Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers.

10 District Magistrates, including the Officiating Backward Class Officer, Bombay Presidency, as Additional District Magistrate, Hyderabad, Nawabshah and Thar Parkar, and the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

161 Stipendiary Magistrates.

28 Honorary Magistrates.

Besides the above there were 10 Benches of Magistrates inclusive of those in the City of Karachi, constituted from amongst 65 Honorary Magistrates.

3. *Inspection.*—The annual cold weather tour for the inspection of the Courts in Sind was made in January and February 1936, by the Judicial Commissioner of Sind. The following Courts were inspected:—

The District and Sessions Court, Hyderabad, the First Class Subordinate Court, Hyderabad, the Courts of the City Magistrate, the Additional City Magistrate, and the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Hyderabad. The District and Sessions Court, Sukkur, the First Class Subordinate Court, Sukkur, the Courts of the City Magistrate, the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, and the Huzur Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Sukkur. The District and Sessions Court, Larkana, the First Class Subordinate Court, Larkana, the Courts of the Resident Magistrate, and the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Larkana.

The following Courts were visited during the tour:—

The Court of the Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Hyderabad at Nawabshah, the Court of the Subordinate Judge, Shahdadpur, the Courts of the Subordinate Judge and First Class Magistrate, Naushahro, Mirpurkhas and Tatta, and the Court of the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Mirpurkhas. The Courts of the Subordinate Judges and First Class Magistrates, Jacobabad and Rohri, the Courts of the First Class Subordinate Judge, the City Magistrate and the Mukhtiarkar and Second Class Magistrate, Shikarpur. The Court of the Subordinate Judge and First Class Magistrate, Sehwan, the Court of the Mukhtiarkar and First Class Magistrate, Sehwan, the Court of the Subordinate Judge, Mehar, and the Court of the Judge of Small Causes, Karachi.

The District Judge, Hyderabad, inspected the Subordinate Civil Court of Mirpurkhas; the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected the First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur; and the District Judge, Larkana, inspected the First Class Subordinate Court, Larkana, and the Subordinate Civil Courts of Sehwan and Mehar.

4. *Vacation.*—The Judicial Commissioner's Court was closed for the annual vacation from 1st May to 31st May 1935.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

5. *Offences reported.*—The number of offences reported in Sind during the year under review was 50,610 and shows an increase of 6,896 compared with the figures of the preceding year.

There was an increase in the number of offences reported in the City of Karachi and in the Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier and Larkana Districts while there was a decrease in the remaining District of Dadu. Of the total number of offences reported in Sind, 14,916 were under the Indian Penal Code and 35,694 under Special and Local Laws.

There was an increase in the number of offences reported under the following heads:—

(1) Against the State.
(2) Against the public tranquility.
(3) Relating to coin.
(4) Relating to weights and measures.
(5) Hurt.
(6) Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
(7) Criminal force and assault.
(8) Rape.
(9) Theft ordinary.
(10) Extortion.
(11) Criminal misappropriation.
(12) Criminal breach of trust.
(13) Cheating.
(14) Mischief.
(15) Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.
(16) Criminal breach of contracts of service.
(17) Relating to marriage.
(18) Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.
(19) Offences under Special and Local Laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences reported under the following heads :—

(1) By or relating to public servants.
(2) Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.
(3) False evidence and offences against public justice.
(4) Relating to Government stamps.
(5) Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.
(6) Relating to religion.
(7) Affecting life.
(8) Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.
(9) Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.
(10) Unnatural offence.
(11) Cattle-theft.
(12) Robbery and dacoity.
(13) Receiving stolen property.
(14) Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
(15) Criminal trespass.
(16) Defamation.

6. *Complaints dismissed and complainants fined.*—The number of complaints dismissed in Sind, under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, was 1,240 and in 119 cases complainants were fined under section 250 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

7. *Cases found to be true.*—Of the total number of cases under inquiry in Sind, 49,251 were found to be true. The number of cases brought to trial in Sind excluding those withdrawn and including those pending from the previous year was 49,716. The number of cases found to be true and the number of cases brought to trial show an increase of 6,570 and 6,389, respectively, on the figures of 1934.

Cases tried in the Courts of Magistrates, Stipendiary and Honorary, in the City of Karachi.

8. *Cases tried.*—The number of cases brought to trial during the year in the Courts of Magistrates in the City of Karachi was 22,560. This number shows an increase of 4,858 on the figures of the previous year. The number of cases under Special and Local Laws was 20,848 or 4,833 more than that in 1934, and the number of cases under the Indian Penal Code was 1,712 or 25 more than that in 1934.

9. *Disposals.*—During the year 20,804 regular and 64 miscellaneous cases were disposed of and 1,756 regular cases were pending at the close of the year.

10. *Results of trials.*—The number of persons under trial before the Courts of Magistrates in the City of Karachi and the results of trials are shown in Appendix A.

Of the persons tried for offences under the Indian Penal Code, 867 were convicted and 1,412 were acquitted or discharged.

11. *Punishments.*—Of the persons convicted, 392 were punished with imprisonment, 18,178 with fine and 99 with whipping. 58 convicted persons were released after admonition and 86 were released on probation of good conduct under section 562, Criminal Procedure Code. Two persons were sent to the Reformatory School and 3 to the Borstal Institution at Dharwar.

The fines imposed aggregated to Rs. 62,995-3-0. The total amount realized was Rs. 53,977-14-6 of which Rs. 852-4-0 were paid as compensation to complainants.

Cases tried in the Courts of Magistrates in the Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier, Larkana and Dadu Districts.

12. *Cases tried.*—The number of cases brought to trial during the year in the Courts of Magistrates in the Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier, Larkana and Dadu Districts was as under:—

District.	Number of cases.	Under the Indian Penal Code.	Under Special and Local Laws.
Karachi	24,033	2,393	21,640
Hyderabad	8,357	2,027	6,330
Nawabshah	2,170	1,577	593
Thar Parkar	1,484	1,041	443
Sukkur	7,607	2,840	4,767
Upper Sind Frontier	1,674	1,113	561
Larkana	2,418	1,671	747
Dadu	1,948	1,325	623

13. *Disposals.*—During the year, 43,607 regular and 623 miscellaneous cases were disposed of as under and 6,109 regular cases were pending at the close of the year :—

District.	Disposed of.	
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.
Karachi	22,270	341
Hyderabad	5,964	136
Nawabshah	1,808	22
Thar Parkar	1,137	17
Sukkur	6,979	47
Upper Sind Frontier	1,399	9
Larkana	2,338	40
Dadu	1,712	11

14. *Results of trials.*—The number of persons under trial before the Courts of Magistrates in the Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier, Larkana and Dadu Districts, the number of persons acquitted or discharged, the number of persons convicted, the number transferred to other Districts and the number that remained for trial at the close of the year is shown in Appendix B.

15. *Punishments.*—Of the persons convicted by the Courts of Magistrates in the Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier, Larkana and Dadu Districts, the number punished with imprisonment, with fine, with whipping, released after admonition or on probation under section 562, Criminal Procedure Code, and the number sent to the Reformatory School or the Borstal Institution at Dharwar is shown below :—

District.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Admonition.	Probation of good conduct under section 562, Cr. P. C.	Reformatory School.	Borstal Institution.
Karachi ...	629	18,856	101	64	101	2	3
Hyderabad ...	407	5,035	29	1	30	1	2
Nawabshah ...	301	682	7	...	30	...	3
Thar Parkar ...	219	547	1	...	26	2	1
Sukkur ...	594	4,390	18	5	31	1	4
Upper Sind Frontier .	462	548	15	2	19	...	1
Larkana ...	561	882	9	5	18	...	4
Dadu	365	839	2	9	31	...	...

The fines imposed by Magistrates in the Karachi, Hyderabad, Nawabshah, Thar Parkar, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier, Larkana and Dadu Districts aggregated to Rs. 2,04,805-11-3. The total amount realized was Rs. 1,40,810-14-6, of which Rs. 6,567-8-3 were paid as compensation to complainants.

Cases tried in the Court of Session at Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana.

16. *Cases tried, disposed of, and results of trials.*—The work done by the various Courts of Session for the last three years is shown in Appendix C.

The number of cases tried, disposed of, the number of persons under trial, the number acquitted or discharged, the number of persons convicted in the Courts of Session at Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana, during the year under review is shown in Appendix D.

17. *Punishments.*—The following sentences and orders were passed by the Courts of Session :—

Court.	Number of persons.					
	Death.	Transportation or penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.	Security.
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (Sessions Court Jurisdiction), Karachi.	1	1	25	1	...	1
Court of Session, Hyderabad ...	15	56	188	8	...	10
Court of Session, Sukkur ...	7	10	136	3	...	1
Court of Session, Larkana ...	4	13	154	8	...	...

Fines to the amount of Rs. 13,010 were imposed by the Courts of Session. The total realization amounted to Rs. 5,883-12-10 and the total amount of fine paid as compensation was Rs. 502-12-10.

18. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences fell from 353 to 329 in the year under report. A large part of this crime, especially in the Nawabshah, Sukkur, Upper Sind Frontier and Larkana Districts arose from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report: —

District.	From motives connected with women.	For gain.	Other causes.
Karachi	11	6	13
Hyderabad	14	...	20
Nawabshah	32	...	18
Thar Parkar	9	...	18
Sukkur	19	3	22
Upper Sind Frontier	25	2	12
Larkana	22	2	5
Dadu	18	1	8

In the Upper Sind Frontier District 22 cases of murder and culpable homicide not amounting to murder were tried under the Sind Frontier Regulation, III of 1892. Out of these in 10 cases the motive was connected with women.

Appeals decided by the Courts of Magistrates.

19. *Appeals decided and results of appeals.*—The number of persons whose appeals were decided by Courts of Magistrates was 306. Of these, the appeals of 85 were summarily dismissed and sentences on 94 were confirmed after admission, making a total of 179 wholly unsuccessful appellants or 58·5 per cent. Of the remainder 37 (or 12 per cent.) obtained a modification of the sentences passed on them and 78 (or 25·5 per cent.) an annulment. The cases of 12 appellants were otherwise disposed of. As compared with 1934, the results were more favourable to the appellants.

Appeals decided by Courts of Session, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).

20. *Appeals decided and results of appeals.*—The number of appeals decided during the year was 1,510 as against 1,540 in the preceding year showing a decrease of 30.

During the year the number of persons whose appeals were decided by Courts of Session was 1,935. The appeals of 926 persons (or 47·8 per cent.) were summarily dismissed; 346 appellants whose appeals were admitted were wholly unsuccessful, 259 obtained an alteration of sentence, 368 were acquitted and the cases of 33 appellants were otherwise disposed of. If admitted appeals only are considered, the results were on the whole more favourable to the appellants than in the previous year, the percentage of successful appellants during the year being 62·1 as against 55·8 in 1934.

Appeals decided by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).

21. *Appeals decided.*—52 appeals were pending before the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) at the beginning of the year from sentences or orders of Criminal Courts. During the year, 259 appeals were preferred and 292 decided, leaving 19 pending at its close. The number of appeals preferred and decided during the year are less by 103 and 83, respectively, than those of the preceding year and the number of appeals pending at the close of the year is less by 33 than that of the preceding year. Of the appeals preferred against sentences, 254 were from Courts of Session (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, Sessions Court Jurisdiction) and the remaining 5 were preferred by the Local Government against orders of acquittal.

22. *Results of appeals.*—287 appeals against sentences passed by Courts of Session (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, Sessions Court Jurisdiction) were decided. The sentences were upheld in 246 cases, reversed in 15, modified in 24 and 2 cases were remanded for re-trial.

Five appeals by the Local Government against the orders of acquittal involving 18 accused were disposed of during the year.

In 4 appeals involving 17 accused, the High Court set aside the orders of acquittal and convicted them. In 1 appeal involving 1 accused, the High Court set aside the order of acquittal and ordered the accused to be re-tried.

Reference and Revision.

23. *Magistrates' Courts.*—The cases of 48 accused persons who applied for revision or against whom applications were made by complainants came before the District Magistrates for revision. The number was greater by 19 than in 1934. The applications of 12 applicants were rejected and those of 36 were otherwise disposed of.

24. *Sessions Courts.*—Including the cases of accused persons who themselves applied for revision of the orders passed on them in the Courts of Magistrates and of those against whom applications were made by complainants, the cases of 502 persons were decided on revision by Courts of Session (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, Sessions Court Jurisdiction) during the year. The number was greater by 191 than in 1934. Applications of 320 were rejected and those of 182 were otherwise disposed of.

25. *Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). Revision.*—During the year 1935, 36 cases were reported for the orders of the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) by Sessions Judges and District Magistrates under section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and by Superintendents of Prisons under rule 536 of the Bombay Jail Manual and 8 were pending at the commencement of the year. Of these, 42 were decided during the year and 2 remained pending at its close. The number reported was less by 17 than in 1934. In 10 cases the orders sent up for revision were not interfered with, in 4 cases sentences were enhanced, in 8 cases sentences were reduced or altered and in 16 cases reversed, in 3 cases the proceedings were quashed, in 1 case a new trial was ordered.

Orders were passed under section 435 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in 189 cases, an increase of 63 on the figures of the previous year. Of these 188 came before the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) and 1 was taken up by the Court of its own motion. Of the 188 applications for issue of rule, 105 were rejected and 1 was allowed to be withdrawn. Of the 82 rules issued, 41 were finally discharged, 6 were made absolute in their entirety and in 35 the orders complained of were modified. In the one case taken up by the Court *suo motu*, the order passed by the lower court was not disturbed.

26. *Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). References under section 374, Code of Criminal Procedure.*—Twenty-six references under this section were submitted to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year for confirmation of death sentences and 2 were pending at the commencement. Twenty-five cases involving 30 accused were decided during the year. The sentence of death was confirmed in the case of 23 persons and commuted to that of transportation for life in the case of 4 persons, convictions and sentences were set aside in the case of 3 persons; and 3 cases consisting of 3 persons were pending at the close of the year.

27. *Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). Applications for transfer.*—Eighty-four applications under section 526 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for transfer of cases from one Court or District to another were received during the year and 1 was pending at the commencement of the year. Of these 75 were decided during the year and 10 remained pending at its close. Thirty-five were summarily rejected, 1 was allowed to be withdrawn. In the remaining 39 applications in which rules were issued, transfers were granted in 16 and refused in 23.

28. *Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). Miscellaneous Applications.*—Ten applications for bail were disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the year.

The Criminal work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that of 1934 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix E.

CIVIL JUSTICE.

I.—Courts of Subordinate Judges (who are invested with the Jurisdiction of a Court of Small Causes).

29. *Original suits instituted.*—The number of suits instituted in 1935 was 21,548, a decrease of 1,871 compared with the figures of the previous year. The decrease occurred in money suits to the extent of 8·2 per cent. while it was 5·4 per cent. in title and other suits. The number of money suits was 19,345 as against 21,089 in 1934 and that of title and other suits 2,203 as against 2,330 in 1934.

The total value of the suits instituted in 1935 amounted to Rs. 93,38,197-8-3½, there being a decrease of Rs. 15,48,613-4-3½ over the total for 1934.

30. *Local distribution.*—The number of suits instituted in 1935 showed a decrease in all the three judicial Districts of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana.

31. *Number of suits disposed of.*—In addition to 21,548 suits instituted during the year, and 7,159 suits pending from the previous year, 496 were revived or received on remand or by transfer, making a total of 29,203 for disposal. The number of suits disposed of during the year was 22,711, a decrease of 3,915 over the figure of the previous year. The number of suits decided under the ordinary procedure was 11,525 and under the Small Cause Court procedure 11,186.

32. *Results of suits decided.*—Out of the suits disposed of during the year, 4,686 (or 20·6 per cent.) were disposed of without trial, 4,260 (or 18·7 per cent.) were disposed of *ex parte*, 727 (or 3·2 per cent.) on admission of claim, 8,408 (or 37 per cent.) by compromise, 2,582 (or 11·3 per cent.) after full trial, 1,968 (or 8·6 per cent.) on reference to arbitration and 80 (or 0·4 per cent.) by transfer. Of the 2,582 decided after full trial, 2,259 (or 87·5 per cent.) resulted in favour of the plaintiffs and 323 (or 12·5 per cent.) in favour of the defendants.

33. *Pending suits.*—The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 6,492 as against 7,159 in the previous year.

Of the pending cases, 601 had been pending more than a year; this shows a decrease of 227 compared with the figure of the previous year. Of the suits pending over a year, 277 were in the Courts of Subordinate Judges in the Hyderabad District, 253 in the Courts of Subordinate Judges in the Sukkur District, and 71 in the Courts of Subordinate Judges in the Larkana District.

34. The average duration in days of suits decided in the Courts of Subordinate Judges is as shown in the tabular statement given below:—

Courts.	Average duration of suits decided.						
	Without trial.	Ex parte.	On admission of claim.	Compromised.	After full trial.	On reference to arbitration.	By transfer.
Courts of Subordinate Judges—							
(*a*) By ordinary procedure.	139	137	219	89	293	189	206
(*b*) By Small Cause Court procedure	78	236	74	33	93	120	139

35. *Execution proceedings.*—There were 5,705 applications for execution pending from the previous year and 23,864 new applications were filed during the year. Out of the total number of applications before the Courts, 23,881 were disposed of during the

year and 5,688 remained pending at its close. The disposals of the applications were as under :—

Cases disposed of by transfer	... ...	20
Cases disposed of wherein realisation was complete	... ...	2,478
Cases disposed of wherein realisation was partial ; and	... ...	1,780
Cases disposed of as wholly infructuous	...	19,603
Total	....	23,881

The total amount realised in the Courts of the Subordinate Judges was Rs. 5,88,635-8-0.

Debtors were imprisoned in 150 cases, moveable property sold in 92 and immoveable property in 146.

36. *Miscellaneous cases.*—The number of institutions and disposals of miscellaneous cases rose from 626 to 673 and fell from 680 to 672, respectively. The number of miscellaneous cases pending at the close of the year rose from 284 to 301. Of the 672 miscellaneous cases disposed of, 210 were disposed of without trial, 78 were disposed of *ex parte*, 166 on admission of claim, 15 by compromise, 198 after full trial, 4 on reference to arbitration and 1 by transfer. Of the 198 cases decided after full trial, 121 or 61·1 per cent. resulted in favour of plaintiffs.

37. The average duration in days of miscellaneous cases decided in the Courts of Subordinate Judges, is as shown in the tabular statement given below :—

Courts.	Average duration of cases decided.						
	Without trial.	Ex parte.	On admission of claim.	By compromise.	After full trial.	On reference to arbitration.	By transfer.
Courts of Subordinate Judges—							
(*a*) By ordinary procedure.	128	96	129	173	298	264	26
(*b*) By Small Cause Court procedure	85	...	65	24	91	96	...

38. *Insolvency petitions.*—The number of petitions pending at the end of the year 1934 was 81 and the number instituted during the year 1935 was 207 making a total of 288 for disposal in 1935. Of these, 197 were decided and 91 remained pending at the close of the year. There were 8 petitions pending over one year at the close of the year. The number of insolvents discharged was 130 as against 146 in 1934.

II.—Court of Small Causes, Karachi.

39. The figures of suits instituted, disposed of and pending at the close of the year 1935, in the Court of Small Causes, Karachi, were 8,445, 9,023 and 1,465, respectively.

The figures of institutions and disposals show an increase of 298 and 983, respectively, when compared with the figures of the previous year while the figures of suits pending at the close of the year show a decrease compared with those of the previous year.

There was an increase in the institution of suits exceeding Rs. 10 but not exceeding Rs. 50, exceeding Rs. 50 but not exceeding Rs. 100, exceeding Rs. 100 but not exceeding Rs. 500, exceeding Rs. 500 but not exceeding Rs. 1,000 in value while there was a decrease in institutions of suits not exceeding Rs. 10 and exceeding Rs. 1,000 but not exceeding Rs. 2,000 in value. The total value of the litigation was Rs. 10,85,671-5-10 as against Rs. 10,79,329-12-7½ in the preceding year.

40. *Mode of disposal.*—Of the 9,023 suits disposed of, 561 were decided without trial, 3,495 were decided *ex parte*, 2,786 on admission of claim, 640 by compromise, 1,341 after full trial, and 200 on reference to arbitration.

41. The average duration in days of suits disposed of without trial was 52, of those decided *ex parte* 52, of those decided on admission of claim 50, of those decided by compromise 53, of those decided after full trial 88, and of those decided on reference to arbitration 89.

42. *Execution of decrees.*—Of the 8,101 applications for execution of decrees that were before the Court during the year (including 1,395 pending from the previous year), 7,043 were disposed of and 1,058 were pending at the close of the year. Of those pending at the close of the year, 652 were more than three months old. Of the applications disposed of, 730 resulted in whole or partial satisfaction of the decrees granted, 6,313 were returned as wholly infructuous.

43. *Coercive process.*—In order to enforce the execution of decrees, imprisonment was ordered in 323 cases and sale of moveables in 189. The figures of imprisonment show a decrease of 3 when compared with the figures of the previous year while those of sale of moveables show an increase of 92 on the figures of the previous year.

III.—District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction).

44. *Original suits for disposal.*—The number of suits pending in the District Courts at the end of the year 1934 was 520. The number instituted during the year 1935 was 232 including 9 revived during the year. The number of suits for disposal in 1935 was thus 752 as against 760 in 1934.

45. *Original suits disposed of.*—The number of suits decided was 377. The number left undisposed of at the end of the year was 375. This number is less by 145 than the corresponding number at the end of the previous year. Of the suits left undisposed of at the end of the year 1935, 156 were ready for trial and in arrear, a decrease of 83 suits compared with the figure of the previous year. There were 217 suits whose hearing had been pending for over one year. This is a decrease of 123 suits on the figures of the previous year.

46. The average duration of suits disposed of during the year under report was as shown in the table given below :—

Number of suits disposed of.	Manner of disposal.	Average duration in days.
22	Without trial	43
44	*Ex-parte*	59
16	On admission of claim	29
57	Compromised	99
191	After full trial	264
47	Otherwise disposed of	212

[c] The number of 375 suits left undisposed of at the end of the year 1935 is made up of the suits filed in the following years :—

Suit of the year 1927	...	1
Suit of the year 1928	...	1
Suits of the year 1930	...	3
Suits of the year 1931	...	10
Suits of the year 1932	...	28
Suits of the year 1933	...	61
Suits of the year 1934	...	113
Suits of the year 1935	...	158
Total	...	375

47.—*Insolvency petitions.*—The number of petitions pending at the end of the year 1934 was 6 and the number instituted during the year 1935 was 87 making a total of 93 for disposal in 1935. Of these 85 were decided and 8 remained pending at the close of the year 1935. There was 1 petition pending over 1 year at the close of the year.

Of the petitions decided, 82 were decided *ex parte*, the average duration being 33·2 days, and 3 were decided after full trial, the average duration being 30 days. The number of insolvents discharged was 73 as against 40 in 1934. The orders of adjudication in respect of 12 debtors were annulled in the Judicial Commissioner's Court. The number of undischarged insolvents in the said Court was 182.

48. *Petitions for Probate and Letters of Administration, etc.*—During the year 1935, 97 petitions for Probate and Letters of Administration, 29 Pauper petitions for leave to sue or defend in *forma pauperis*, 22 petitions under the Indian Companies Act, 4 petitions under the Indian Trusts Act, 210 petitions under the Guardians and Wards Act, 70 petitions under the Land Acquisition Act and 7 petitions under the Lunacy Act were filed for disposal.

49. *Awards under the Indian Arbitration Act, 1899.*—The number of awards filed during the year was 284.

50. *Applications for execution of decrees.*—The number of applications pending at the commencement of the year was 541 and the number of applications filed during the year was 983 making a total of 1,524 for disposal. Of these 4 were disposed of by transfer

to other Courts, in 140 satisfaction was obtained in full, in 253 satisfaction was obtained in part and 499 were wholly infructuous making a total of 896 disposed of and 628 applications remained pending at the close of the year.

The number of execution applications disposed of during the year in which immoveable property was sold was 11. The number of decrees received from other Courts for execution during the year was 811.

51. *Appeals instituted.*—319 appeals were instituted in 1935, showing a decrease of 63 as compared with the previous year.

52. *Appeals disposed of.*—363 appeals were disposed of during the year 1935. The figure of total disposal shows an increase of 25 as compared with that of the previous year. There was an increase of disposals in Hyderabad and Larkana Judicial Districts and a decrease in the Sukkur Judicial District.

53. *Appeals pending.*—There were 351 appeals pending at the close of the year 1935, the number being less by 37 than at the end of 1934. The number of appeals pending for more than a year rose from 144 to 155.

54. *Results of appeals.*—The results of decisions of appeals during the year were as follows :—

In 96 cases or 26·4 per cent. of the whole the appeals were either summarily dismissed or not prosecuted, in 152 or 41·8 per cent. the judgments of the lower Courts were affirmed, in 38 or 10·5 per cent. they were modified, in 49 or 13·5 per cent. they were reversed and in 28 or 7·7 per cent. a remand was ordered.

The average duration of the appeals which were dismissed or not prosecuted was 266 days while that of appeals in which the judgments of the lower Court were confirmed, modified, reversed, or in which remand was ordered was 502 days.

55. *Miscellaneous Appeals.*—165 miscellaneous appeals were instituted during the year and 72 were pending at the beginning of the year and 1 was otherwise received. Of the total 238, 153 were disposed of during the year and 85 remained pending at its close. The number of pending appeals was greater by 13 than in the previous year.

The average duration of miscellaneous appeals which were dismissed or not prosecuted was 76 days while that in which the judgments of the lower Court were confirmed, modified, reversed or in which remand was ordered was 275 days.

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56. The Civil work disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District Court Jurisdiction) in the year under report as compared with that in 1934 and the arrears at the end of the year are shown in Appendix F.

IV.—Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).

57. *Appeals from Subordinate Courts.*—The table below shows the number of First and Second Appeals from Decrees, and Appeals from Orders of Courts Subordinate to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) which came before the Court and were decided during the year:—

Appeals.	Pending at the end of 1934.	Instituted.	Otherwise received.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of 1935.
First Appeals (from Original Decrees).	216	72	...	85	203
Second Appeals (from Appellate Decrees).	125	58	...	50	133
Appeals from Orders ...	81	46	...	50	77
Total ...	422	176	...	185	413

The institutions of First and Second Appeals and Appeals from Orders were greater by 10, 4 and 17, respectively, than in 1934.

58. *Appeals disposed of.*—The disposals of First and Second Appeals and Appeals from Orders show respectively an increase of 56, 28 and 35 over the figures of the previous year.

59. *Appeals pending.*—At the close of the year 1935, 203 First Appeals, 133 Second Appeals and 77 Appeals from Orders were pending. The aggregate total of pending appeals is less by 9 than in 1934.

The average duration of appeals in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) which were dismissed or not prosecuted and those in which the judgments or orders

were confirmed, modified, reversed or in which a remand was ordered was as follows :—

Appeals.	Confirmed, modified, reversed or remanded.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.
	Number of days.	Number of days.
First Appeals	1,575	422
Second Appeals	1,283	201
Appeals from Orders...	824	249

The high average duration appearing against the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind in its High Court Jurisdiction is due to special efforts having been made to dispose of old appeals and many of these having been disposed of during the year under report.

60. *Comparative Statement of civil work of the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction) during the past two years.*—The Appendix G shows in detail the civil business which has come before and has been disposed of by the Court in its High Court Jurisdiction during each of the past two years.

61. *Results of Appeals.*—Out of the 85 appeals from Original Decrees decided, 34 were dismissed or not prosecuted. Out of the remaining 51, the decrees of the lower Courts were confirmed in 38, modified in 9, and reversed in 4. Of the 50 appeals from the Appellate Decrees decided, 33 were dismissed or not prosecuted. Of the remaining 17, the decrees of the lower Courts were confirmed in 13, modified in 1, and reversed in 3.

Of the 50 appeals from Orders decided, 30 were dismissed or not prosecuted. Of the remaining 20, the orders of the lower Courts were affirmed in 10, modified in 4, reversed in 4 and the remaining 2 were remanded.

During the year under report, 1 appeal under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923, was filed and 2 were pending at the beginning of the year. Of these 1 appeal was disposed of during the year and 2 remained pending at the close of the year.

No reference under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923, was filed during the year under report.

62. *Appeals to the Privy Council.*—At the beginning of the year 1935, 8 applications for leave to appeal were pending orders; 4 new applications were filed during the year. Of these 12 applications, 3 were dismissed and 9 remained pending at the end of the year.

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63. Provision should be made for the construction of Court-houses and subsidiary buildings like peons' quarters, cattle-pounds, etc., at several places in Sind where Courts are now located. It is essential that justice should be administered in buildings in some keeping with the dignity of Courts of Law. Further, having regard to the severe climatic conditions prevailing in Sind, it is of primary importance that the conditions in which judicial work is transacted should be made as favourable as possible.

At present the District and Sessions Court, Larkana, is located in the Collector's Kutchery. This arrangement was meant to be temporary and has been objected to by the Collector of Larkana. It is highly unsatisfactory and inconvenient to all concerned. The accommodation is not sufficient when an Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge is posted at Larkana to assist the District and Sessions Judge. The District and Sessions Judge in that event holds his Court in his bungalow.

The building in which the First Class Subordinate Judge, Larkana, conducts his Court is in a dangerous state and not fit for occupation.

Nawabshah has been created into a Judicial District in 1921, but as yet we have no District Court building and the District Court and the District Judge's bungalow are very necessary.

The Court at Shahdadpur is located in an old dilapidated Government building which was formerly in the occupation of the Forest Department.

Ths Subordinate Judge, Tatta, holds his Court in an old rented building and the Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge when he holds his Sessions at Tatta conducts his judicial work in the building meant as a residence for the Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge.

It will be also necessary to provide Court buildings at Dadu for a Subordinate Judge or an Additional Sessions Judge if one is stationed there.

The building in which the Subordinate Judge, Jacobabad, does his judicial work is very old, necessitating his removal to tents when the main Court is periodically under repairs.

64. The congestion of civil work on the appellate side of the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind is due in a great measure to the fact that a Bench of two Judges is required to dispose of revision applications and second appeals which would not be the case if the status of the Court were raised to that of a Chief Court or a High Court.

65. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act has been of great benefit to the agriculturists in Sind.

The Act may not always be properly worked. Subordinate Judges on occasions may not properly exercise the powers conferred on them or go into the history of transactions but this is not the fault of the Act.

The provisions of the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act enable the Court to discover the truth and have been instrumental in preventing much hardship and oppression and what is required is only amendment in detail and not the repeal of the Act.

66. The effect of the Sukkur Barrage has been to improve the lot of the small cultivator and to assist him to free himself from the money-lender. In consequence there has been a decrease in the number of suits instituted in the Courts of Subordinate Judges in Sind. Criminal work, however, has increased, owing to increase in population due to the larger areas brought under cultivation upon the construction of the Lloyd Barrage. This is specially so in the Nawabshah District.

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APPENDIX A.

Class of Magistrates	Number of persons.						Percentage of convictions.
	Under trial (including the number pending from the previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	
Stipendiary Magistrates ...	1,818	539	1,069	35	...	175	65
Special Magistrates under section 14, Criminal Procedure Code.	13,787	1,664	10,804	...	2	1,317	86·6
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Benches of Honorary Magistrates...	8,816	1,462	6,894	...	...	460	82·5

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APPENDIX B.

District.	Number of persons.					Percentage of convictions
	Under trial (including the number pending from the previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	
Karachi ...	27,261	5,039	19,764	26	2,432	79·7
Hyderabad ...	11,722	3,623	5,562	17	2,520	60·6
Nawabshah ...	4,839	2,730	1,123	8	978	29·1
Thar Parkar ..	3,416	1,693	793	37	893	31·9
Sukkur ...	12,237	5,230	5,143	131	1,733	49·6
Upper Sind Frontier.	3,784	1,862	1,234	8	680	39·9
Larkana ...	5,763	3,156	1,633	23	951	34
Dadu ...	5,105	2,480	1,375	10	1,240	35·7

APPENDIX C.

District.	1933.				1934.				1935.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karachi	30	31	244	244	41	38	292	261	32	34	194	214
Hyderabad ...	209	219	800	864	218	235	639	614	252	225	561	544
Sukkur	140	132	363	362	122	126	369	359	131	135	432	436
Larkana	109	111	377	380	108	99	331	306	118	123	312	316

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APPENDIX D.

Court.	Number of cases tried.	Number disposed of.	Number of persons.					
			Under trial (including the number pending from the previous year).	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	Percentage of convictions.
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (Sessions Court Jurisdiction), Karachi.	34	34	72	28	28	...	16	50
Court of Session, Hyderabad ...	225	225	656	258	246	2	131	48·8
Court of Session, Sukkur	134	135*	396	162	154	2	76	48·7
Court of Session, Larkana	123	123	376	139	175	2	60	55·7

* Includes one re-transferred to the Sessions Court, Hyderabad.

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APPENDIX E.

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1933.	1934.		Arrears on 31st December 1934.	1935.		Arrears on 31st December 1935.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Appeals	65	362	375	52	259	292	19
2	Confirmation Cases	4	20	22	2	26	25	3
3	Reported Cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	5	5	...	5	5	...
4	Reported Cases, section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	10	53	55	8	36	42	2
5	Revision Applications on Court's own motion.	...	6	6	...	1	1	...
6	Revision Applications	22	140	120	42	156	188	10
7	Applications under section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	22	22	...	11	10	1
8	Transfer Applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	4	66	69	1	84	75	10

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APPENDIX F.

Description.	Arrears on 31st December 1933.	1934.		Arrears on 31st December 1934.	1935.		Arrears on 31st December 1935.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	7	8	14	1	1	2	...
Civil Suits	506	249	237	518	222	369	371
Execution Applications ...	506	868	838	536	958	881	613
Insolvency Applications ...	181	64	48	197	85	85	197
Applications under Order XXXIII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	14	20	16	18	19	23	14
Applications under section 24, Civil Procedure Code.	...	8	8	...	6	5	1
Applications under Order XXI, rule 58, Civil Procedure Code.	8	10	8	10	9	17	2
Civil Appeals under section 476, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	4	...	4	...	4	...
Applications under Act IV of 1869.	1	2	2	1	1	2	...
Applications under Act XVIII of 1879.	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Applications under Act II of 1882.	2	7	5	4	3	4	3
Applications under Act VIII of 1890.	6	30	26	10	39	32	17
Applications under Act I of 1894.	...	1	...	1	6	4	3
Applications under Act IX of 1899.	27	238	235	30	284	305	9
Applications under Act III of 1909.	5	43	8	40	13	40	13
Applications under Act IV of 1912.	...	1	1	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act VII of 1913.	2	4	4	2	19	12	9
Applications under Act XIV of 1920.	...	1	1	...	1	1	...
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	3	54	42	15	83	82	16

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APPENDIX G.

Description.	Arrears on the 31st December 1933.	1934.		Arrears on the 31st December 1934.	1935.		Arrears on the 31st December 1935.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
I Appeals	183	62	29	216	72	85	203
II Appeals	93	54	22	125	58	50	133
Miscellaneous Appeals ...	67	29	15	81	46	50	77
Applications under section 24, Civil Procedure Code.	...	4	4	...	5	5	...
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	57	42	35	64	50	52	62
Applications under Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	2	3	2	3	2	1	4
Applications under Order XLV, rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	7	2	2	7	4	2	9
References under Order XLVI, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Applications under section 17 of Act IV of 1869.	1	3	1	3	...	1	2
Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	47	39	17	69	19	15	73
References under Act II of 1899...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Applications under section 66 of Act XI of 1922.	...	4	1	3	3	1	5
Applications under Act VIII of 1923.	...	2	...	2	1	1	2
Applications under Act XXXIX of 1925.	3	9	8	4	11	12	3
Applications under Act IV of 1929.	53	65	33	95	67	63	99
Applications under Bombay Regulation, II of 1827, section 16 of Bombay Act, XII of 1866, and Indian Bar Councils Act, XXXVIII of 1926.	2	5	5	2	3	1	4

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STATEMENT No. 25—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind on 31st December 1935.

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province (1).	CIVIL.				CRIMINAL.							Remarks.
		Number of Districts.	District Judges (2).	Other Judges.		Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Districts.	Sessions Judges (4).	Other Judges.	District Magistrates (5).	Other Magistrates.		
				Stipendiary (3).	Honorary.						Stipendiary.	Honorary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sind	4 (*a*)	4	9 (*b*)	19 (*c*)	...	4	9	8 (*a*)	2 (*d*)	10	161 (*e*)	38 (*f*)	(*a*) Do both civil and criminal work. (*b*) 8 do both civil and criminal work. (*c*) 10 do both civil and criminal work. (*d*) First Class Subordinate Judges invested with Assistant Sessions Judge's powers. They do both civil and criminal work. (*e*) 10 do both civil and criminal work. (*f*) Includes 10 Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

(1) Judicial and Additional Judicial Commissioners.

(2) Includes 5 Assistant Judges and the Judge, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(3) Includes 4 First Class Subordinate Judges, 9 Second Class Subordinate Judges, 1 Officiating Joint Subordinate Judge, 4 Mukhtiarkars who are also Joint Subordinate Judges and 1 Registrar, Karachi Small Causes Court, Karachi.

(4) Includes Additional Sessions Judges.

(5) Includes the officiating Backward Class Officer, Bombay Presidency, as Additional District Magistrate, Hyderabad, who exercised all the powers of the District Magistrate in those cases only in which any member of a Criminal Tribe notified under the Criminal Tribes Act, 1924 (VI of 1924), is a party, in the Hyderabad, Nawabshah and Thar Parkar districts; and the City Magistrate, Karachi, who is also Additional District Magistrate, Karachi.

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STATEMENT No. 26—(CIVIL AND CRIMINAL).

Showing the number of cases decided in and the receipts and charges of the Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Name of Province.	Number of cases decided.				Total receipts of Courts.	Total charges of Courts.	Remarks.
	Original.		Appellate.				
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sind—					Rs.	Rs.	
Civil	32,111	33,862	498	203	*	*	
Criminal	44,113	638	1,767	187			

* Statistics in this column have been omitted as per Government letter, Home Department, No. 6098/2, dated the 15th July 1930.

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STATEMENT No. 27—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Title and other suits.					Grand Total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Courts of Subordinate Judges.	19,345	...	...	...	...	...	555	110	726	812	2,203	21,548
Karachi Small Causes Court.	7,368	920	...	157	...	1,077	...	...	...	...	...	8,445
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	6	10
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	105	11	...	...	...	11	20	2	12	63	97	213
Total ...	26,822	931	...	157	...	1,088	575	112	738	881	2,306	30,216

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STATEMENT No. 28.—(CIVIL).

Showing the number and value of suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits instituted in different Courts.									
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10.	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.	Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
										Rs. a. p.
Courts of Subordinate Judges	2,016	8,612	4,003	4,967	928	721	226	75	21,548	93,38,197 8 3½
Karachi Small Causes Court	428	3,718	1,706	2,172	276	145	...	...	8,445	10,85,671 5 10
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	1	1	2	1	...	...	5	10	1,726 8 0
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction):	...	1	10	54	15	69	25	39	213	6,57,870 6 9
Total ...	2,444	12,332	5,720	7,195	1,220	935	251	119	30,216	1,09,83,465 12 10½

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STATEMENT No. 29—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of.						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under Order IX, rules 3 and 8, Civil Procedure Code.	Otherwise	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7-A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	7,159	21,548	491	5	29,203	3,576	1,110	110	4,260	205	727	120
Karachi Small Causes Court	2,043	8,445	...	...	10,488	425	136	52	3,495	52	2,786	50
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	2	10	...	...	12	1	...	63	...	...	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	518	213	9	...	740	8	13	42	44	59	16	29
Total ...	9,722	30,216	500	5	40,443	4,010	1,259	103	7,799	136	3,529	64
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act, II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	9,722	30,216	500	5	40,443	4,010	1,259	103	7,799	136	3,529	64

STATEMENT No. 29 (CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.										Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		After full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By transfer.		Total disposed of Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 20.			
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
——	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges ...	8,408	63	2,259	323	218	1,968	169	80	152	22,711	6,492	601	
Karachi Small Causes Court	640	53	1,138	203	88	200	89	...	...	9,023	1,465	8	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	...	...	1	...	157	...	...	6	7	8	4	2	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction).	57	99	143	47	265	41	242	...	...	369	371	215	
Total ...	9,105	63	3,541	573	178	2,209	163	86	142	32,111	8,332	826	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	9,105	63	3,541	573	178	2,209	163	86	142	32,111	8,332	826	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL).

Showing the general results of trial of Civil and Revenue cases in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits before the Courts.					Number of suits disposed of.						
						Without trial.			Ex-parte.		On admission of claim.	
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Under Order IX, rules 3 and 6, Civil Procedure Code.	Otherwise.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7-A	8	9	10	11	12
I.—CIVIL COURTS.												
Courts of Subordinate Judges	284	673	15	1	973	112	98	123	78	96	166	125
Karachi Small Causes Court	21	47	...	...	68	2	...	91	...	...	5	44
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	102	314	6	...	422	40	57	140	13	161	15	165
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	86	358	...	...	444	...	...	...	13	101	277	87
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	249	151	...	...	400	...	5	967*	115	58	...	...
Total ...	742	1,543	21	1	2,307	154	160	142	219	80	463	103
II.—REVENUE COURTS.												
Courts under Bombay Act, II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	742	1,543	21	1	2,307	154	160	142	219	80	463	103

* The average duration is high because many old applications were disposed of during 1935.

STATEMENT No. 30—(CIVIL)—*contd.*

Class of Tribunals.	Number of suits disposed of.									Total disposed of. Cols. 7, 7-A, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 1 and 20.	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Compromised.		After full trial.			On reference to arbitration.		By transfer.					
	Number.	Average duration.	Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.	Number.	Average duration.				
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21-A	22	23	24
I.—CIVIL COURTS.													
Courts of Subordinate Judges	15	133	121	77	277	4	222	1	26	672	301	14	
Karachi Small Causes Court	...	...	26	21	56	...	...	...	...	54	14	...	
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	12	146	16	25	257	...	...	115	21	293	129	47	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	21	64	67	12	207	...	...	...	...	390	54	11	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	3	960*	7	12	1,277*	...	...	...	...	142	258	202	
Total ...	51	156	237	147	283	4	222	116	21	1,551	756	274	
II.—REVENUE COURTS.													
Courts under Bombay Act II of 1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
GRAND TOTAL ...	51	156	237	147	283	4	222	116	21	1,551	756	274	

* The average duration is high because many old applications were disposed of during 1935.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 31—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Tribunals.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of.												Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for re-trial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.		Total disposed of (columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13).	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges).	388	319	7	714	96	266	152	38	49	28	502*	...	...	363	351	155	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 1st appeals.	216	72	...	288	34	422	38	9	4	...	1,575*	...	...	85	203	148	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction). 2nd appeals.	125	58	...	183	33	201	13	1	3	...	1,283*	...	...	50	133	97	
Total ...	729	449	7	1,185	163	285	203	48	56	28	705*	...	...	498	687	400	

* The average duration is high because many old appeals were disposed of during 1935.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 32—(CIVIL).

Showing the business of Civil Appellate Courts in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS.

Class of Tribunals.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.				Number of appeals disposed of.									Total disposed of (columns 6, 8 to 11 and 13.)	Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Remarks.
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Otherwise received.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded for re-trial.	Average duration of appeals in columns 8, 9, 10 and 11.	By transfer.					
					Number.	Average duration.						Number.	Average duration.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14-A	15	16	17
District Courts (including those of Joint and Assistant Judges)	71	164	1	236	52	76	57	5	20	17	279	...	...	151	85	10	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (District Court Jurisdiction)	1	1	...	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	95	...	...	2	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	81	46	...	127	30	249	10	4	4	2	824*	...	...	50	77	57	
Total ...	153	211	1	365	82	139	68	10	24	19	366	...	...	203	162	67	

*The average duration is high as most of the matters disposed of were old.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 33—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the general results of Trials of Criminal cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of offences reported.	Number of persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of.				Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.
			Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	13,320	14,956	2,445	10,984	...	11	1,516
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	2,504	3,771	1,662	1,608	3	26	472
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	19,348	38,612	18,607	12,114	339	217	7,335
Benches of Magistrates	14,775	15,422	2,427	11,174	...	...	1,821
District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts	64	229	85	144	...	..	...
Courts of Session	599	1,500	587	603	21	6	283
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction)	...	33	3	27	...	...	3
Total ...	50,610	74,523	25,816	36,654	363	260	11,430

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 34—(CRIMINAL),

Showing the general results of Appeals and Revisions in Criminal cases in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons.							
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts.	Appeals or applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence altered.	Sentence reversed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7.	8	9
APPEALS TO								
Chief Magistrates of Districts	320	85	94	37	78	12	...	14
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	2,240	926	346	259	368	33	3	305
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	421	176	146	39	26	9	...	25
Total ...	2,981	1,187	586	335	472	54	3	344
REVISION BY								
Chief Magistrates of Districts—	6	12	...	...	...	36	...	...
Courts of Session, including Judicial Commissioner's Court (Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	220	320	...	...	...	182	3	105
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction) ...	348	268	10	47	38	72	...	16
Total ..	574	600	10	47	38	290	3	121
GRAND TOTAL ...	3,555*	1,787	596	382	510	344	6	465

* In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 535 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

STATEMENT No. 35—(CRIMINAL).

Showing the nature of offences reported and the number of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.			Number of persons					Remarks.	
	Offences reported.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Under trial including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presidency.	Remaining under trial.	Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Against the State	1	1	1	6	6	...	...	...	...	...
Relating to the Army and Navy.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Against the public tranquility ...	443	393	399	2,169	1,135	383	...	651	47	3
By or relating to public servants.	24	20	19	40	9	13	..	18	4	...
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	134	133	139	243	80	89	5	69	1	...
False evidence and offences against public justice.	352	341	353	515	215	159	8	133	6	5
Relating to coin	31	31	40	82	26	45	1	10	...	...
Relating to Government stamps.	3	3	3	8	2	5	...	1	...	...
Relating to weights and measures	4	4	4	4	2	1	...	1	...	...
Affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	101	99	101	140	29	99	...	12	2	...
Relating to religion ...	8	8	8	16	14	2	...	...	...	...
Affecting the human body.										
Affecting life	329	327	418	964	283	333	14	334	2	...
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	2	2	2	3	1	2	...	...	...	...

Hurt	3,712	3,505	3,587	9,598	7,045	861	30	1,662	191	16
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.	308	248	260	901	647	79	7	168	54	6
Criminal force and assault ...	534	500	505	1,265	881	128	1	255	31	3
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	198	163	185	765	358	107	9	291	34	1
Rape	27	24	27	44	12	11	...	21	3	...
Unnatural offence	59	58	62	95	23	41	1	30	1	...
Against property.										
Theft ordinary	1,682	1,628	1,675	2,845	701	1,444	21	679	37	17
Cattle theft	879	816	858	1,470	463	644	24	339	49	14
Extortion	19	14	13	26	12	4	...	10	3	2
Robbery and dacoity ...	142	122	144	374	166	92	1	115	14	6
Criminal misappropriation ...	381	319	331	557	410	14	8	95	60	2
Criminal breach of trust ...	374	295	312	478	187	95	11	185	67	12
Receiving stolen property ...	445	426	434	764	240	367	5	152	13	6
Cheating	1,139	960	968	1,675	1,242	56	9	368	172	7
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	85	72	68	240	136	13	...	91	11	2
Mischief	291	262	260	841	513	49	3	276	29	...
Criminal Trespass ...	997	946	947	2,307	1,550	314	8	435	46	5
Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	50	42	45	94	55	12	1	26	8	...
Criminal breach of contracts of service.	55	42	46	194	120	...	3	71	12	1
Relating to marriage ...	688	576	575	2,667	1,788	56	39	784	106	6
Defamation	186	177	179	419	301	14	2	102	9	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	1,233	1,063	1,044	2,662	2,221	60	2	379	167	3
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	35,694	35,631	35,704	39,689	4,913	31,062	47	3,667	61	2
Total ...	50,610	49,251	49,716	74,160	25,816	36,654	260	11,430	1,240	119

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

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STATEMENT

Showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunals.	Number of persons executed.	Number of persons sentenced to					
		Death.	Transportation or penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine or forfeiture.	Whipping.	Give security.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14	...	...	...	259	10,562	70	148
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly..	...	...	...	104	1,506	...	11
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly.	...	...	...	3,077	8,525	110	556
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	29	11,145	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Chief Magistrates of districts ...	...	...	...	69	40	2	74
Courts of Session	...	...	80	503	20	...	12
Judicial Commissioner's Court (High Court Jurisdiction).	27	23	4	...	...	...	...
Total ...	27	23	84	4,041	31,799	182	771

No. 36—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

Fine of		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				Remarks.
Rs. 10 and under.	Over Rs. 10.	Imposed.	Realised.	Paid as compensation.	15 days and under.	Above 15 days to 6 months.	Above 6 months to 2 years.	Above 2 years.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.					
10,200	362	38,672 8 3	30,816 13 3	883 8 0	14	171	74	...	
1,398	108	10,266 9 0	6,881 5 0	196 0 0	30	71	3	...	
6,982	1,543	1,31,386 2 0	85,514 4 3	5,483 0 3	252	1,448	1,342	35	
9,168	1,977	19,370 8 0	17,074 8 0	5 0 0	3	21	5	...	
...	1	60 0 0	60, 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	
...	40	5,050 0 0	464 0 0	...	...	...	5	64	
...	20	13,010 0 0	5,883 12 10	502 12 10	11	39	124	329	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	
27,748	4,051	2,17,815 11 3	1,46,694 11 4	7,070 5 1	310	1,750	1,553	428	

E. V. CASTELLINO,
Registrar,
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Courts.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Courts.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HYDERABAD.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	43	146	6	6	...	...	201
Court of 1st Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	48	101	...	...	...	...	...
Court of 2nd Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	57	140	...	...	...	...	...
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge, Hyderabad, at Nawabshah.	77	157	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	235	94	141	128	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	1,284	771	513	564	...
Small Causes Court	...	...	2,458	1,973	485	531	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Regular.	...	...	1,065	792	273	332	...
Subordinate Court, Shahdadpur, Small Causes.	...	...	873	741	132	147	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Regular.	...	...	1,532	1,087	445	372	...
Subordinate Court, Mirpurkhas, Small Causes.	...	...	428	342	86	53	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Regular.	...	...	1,438	1,221	217	241	...
Subordinate Court, Naushahro, Small Causes.	...	...	796	700	96	108	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Regular	...	...	997	797	200	278	...
Subordinate Court, Tatta, Small Causes.	...	...	1,049	929	120	219	...
Total ...	225	544	12,161	9,453	2,708	2,973	201
SUKKUR.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge	53	222	5	2	3	2	343
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	62	214	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge.	20	...	78	44	34	38	...
Second Class Subordinate Court ...	...	...	500	299	201	197	
Small Causes Court	...	...	1,475	1,246	229	213	...
First Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	163	98	65	87	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Court, Shikarpur.	...	...	1,460	976	484	633	...
Small Causes Court, Shikarpur ...	...	...	1,443	1,212	231	324	...
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Regular..	...	...	1,295	999	296	320	..
Subordinate Court, Rohri, Small Causes.	...	...	1,317	1,141	176	194	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Regular.	...	...	877	631	246	249	...
Subordinate Court, Jacobabad, Small Causes.	...	...	969	792	177	127	...
Total ...	135	436	9,582	7,440	2,142	2,384	343

Courts in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1935.

WORK.							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation—columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
20	66	108	3	41	...	19	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
39	...	...	2	22	...	...	
51	...	...	1	18	...	...	
25	...	...	2	12	...	...	
...	...	...	128	66	76	...	
...	...	...	981	59	147	...	
...	...	...	1,431	21	5	...	
...	...	...	1,233	28	11	...	
...	..	...	680	4	...	...	
...	...	...	1,313	30	20	...	
...	..	...	310	...	...	...	
...	...	...	1,094	...	9	...	
...	...	...	538	30	...	...	
...	...	...	728	13	9	...	
...	...	...	926	1	...	...	
135	66	108	9,370	345	277	19	
44	199	176	4	111	2	49	
100	...	...	...	32	...	42	
...	...	...	49	24	15	...	
...	...	..	386	69	61	...	
...	...	...	1,166	6	2	...	
...	...	...	208	22	26	...	
...	...	...	911	99	130	...	
...	...	...	1,273	5	7	...	
...	...	...	1,518	34	7	...	
...	...	...	1,304	6	...	...	
...	...	...	759	37	5	...	
..	...	...	493	10	...	..	
144	199	176	8,071	455	255	91	

Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the various Courts

Names of Courts.	Criminal Work.		Civil				
			Original.				
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Total number of suits before the Court.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Total number of appeals before the Court.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LARKANA.							
Court of District and Sessions Judge.	52	193	1	...	1	...	170
Court of Assistant and Additional Sessions Judge.	42	123	...	...	..	...	...
First Class Subordinate Court, with powers of Assistant Sessions Judge.	29	...	61	38	23	81	...
Second Class Subordinate Court.	...	...	2,488	1,737	751	724	...
Small Causes Court, ...	...	...	1,421	1,129	292	250	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Regular.	...	...	1,340	1,132	208	333	...
Subordinate Court, Mehar, Small Causes.	...	...	433	368	65	73	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Regular.	...	...	1,004	809	195	251	...
Subordinate Court, Sehwan, Small Causes.	...	...	724	613	111	142	...
Total ...	123	316	7,472	5,826	1,646	1,804	170
KARACHI.							
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (District and Sessions Court Jurisdiction).	34	214	740	369	371	518	...
Karachi Small Causes Court ...	...	...	10,488	9,023	1,465	2,043	...
Total ...	34	214	11,228	9,392	1,836	2,561	...
CONSOLIDATED TOTALS OF DISTRICTS.							
Hyderabad	225	544	12,161	9,453	2,708	2,973	201
Sukkur	135	436	9,582	7,440	2,142	2,384	343
Larkana	123	316	7,472	5,826	1,646	1,804	170
Karachi	34	214	11,228	9,392	1,836	2,561	...
Total ...	517	1,510	40,443	32,111	8,332	9,722	714
Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction).	...	...	...	...	...	...	471

in each District in the Province of Sind for the year 1935—*contd.*

WORK							
Appellate.			Execution proceedings disposed of.	Order made after investigation—columns 16 and 17 of the monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report.	Remarks.
Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year under report.	Pending at the end of the preceding year.					
9*	10*	11*	12	13	14	15	16
51	86	104	3	34	...	45	*Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 32.
33	...	...	...	23	...	...	
...	...	...	44	17	7	...	
...	...	...	2,108	50	54	...	
...	...	...	861	4	...	...	
...	...	...	1,658	22	5	...	
...	...	...	413	...	...	...	
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...	...	...	682	...	...	...	
84	86	104	6,806	165	71	45	
...	...	...	881	390	215	...	
...	...	...	7,043	54	8	...	
...	...	...	7,924	444	223	...	
135	66	108	9,370	345	277	19	
144	199	176	8,071	455	255	91	
84	86	104	6,806	165	71	45	
...	...	...	7,924	444	223	...	
363	351	388	32,171	1,409	826	155	
135	936	341	...	...	...	245	

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